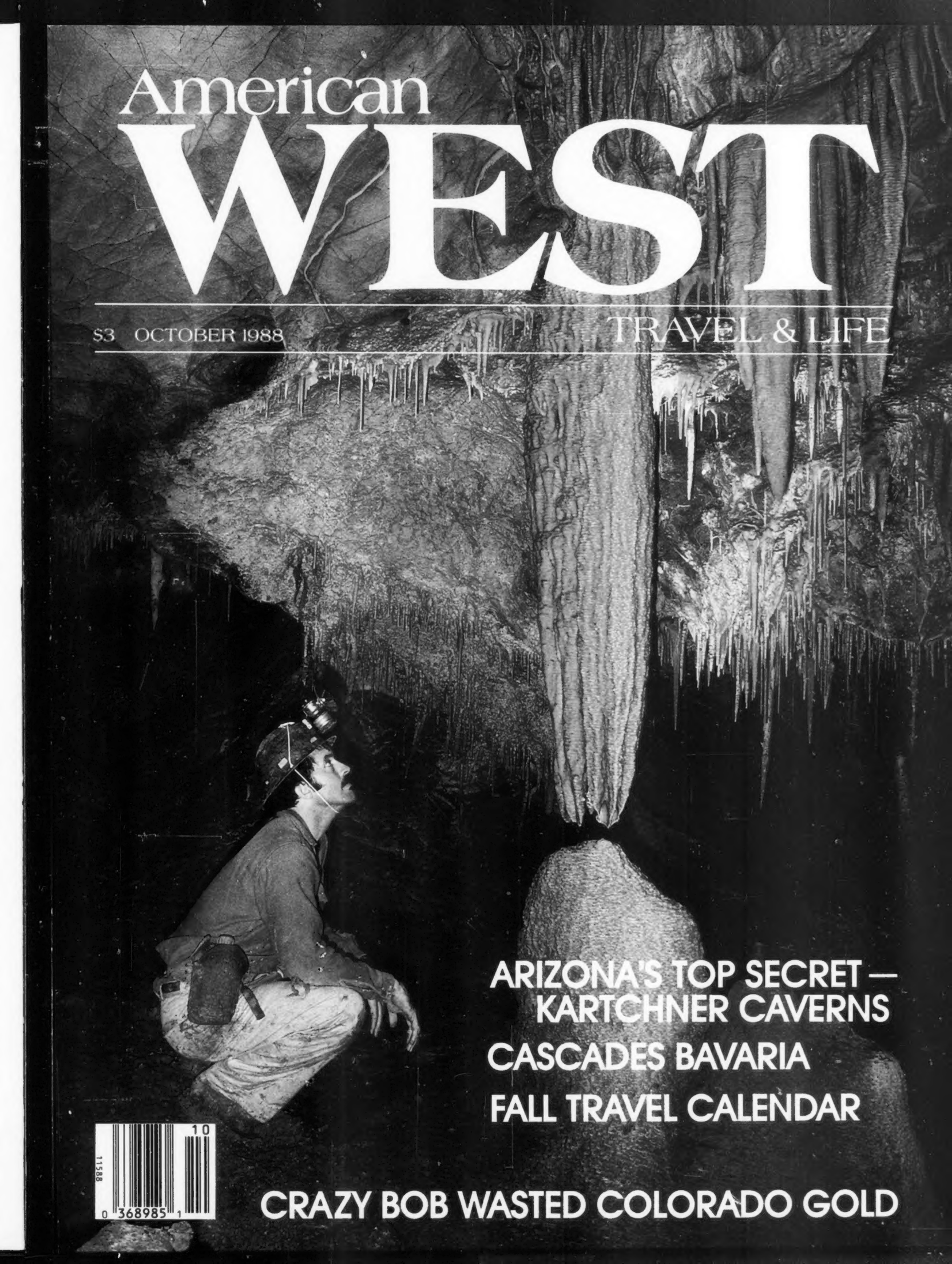
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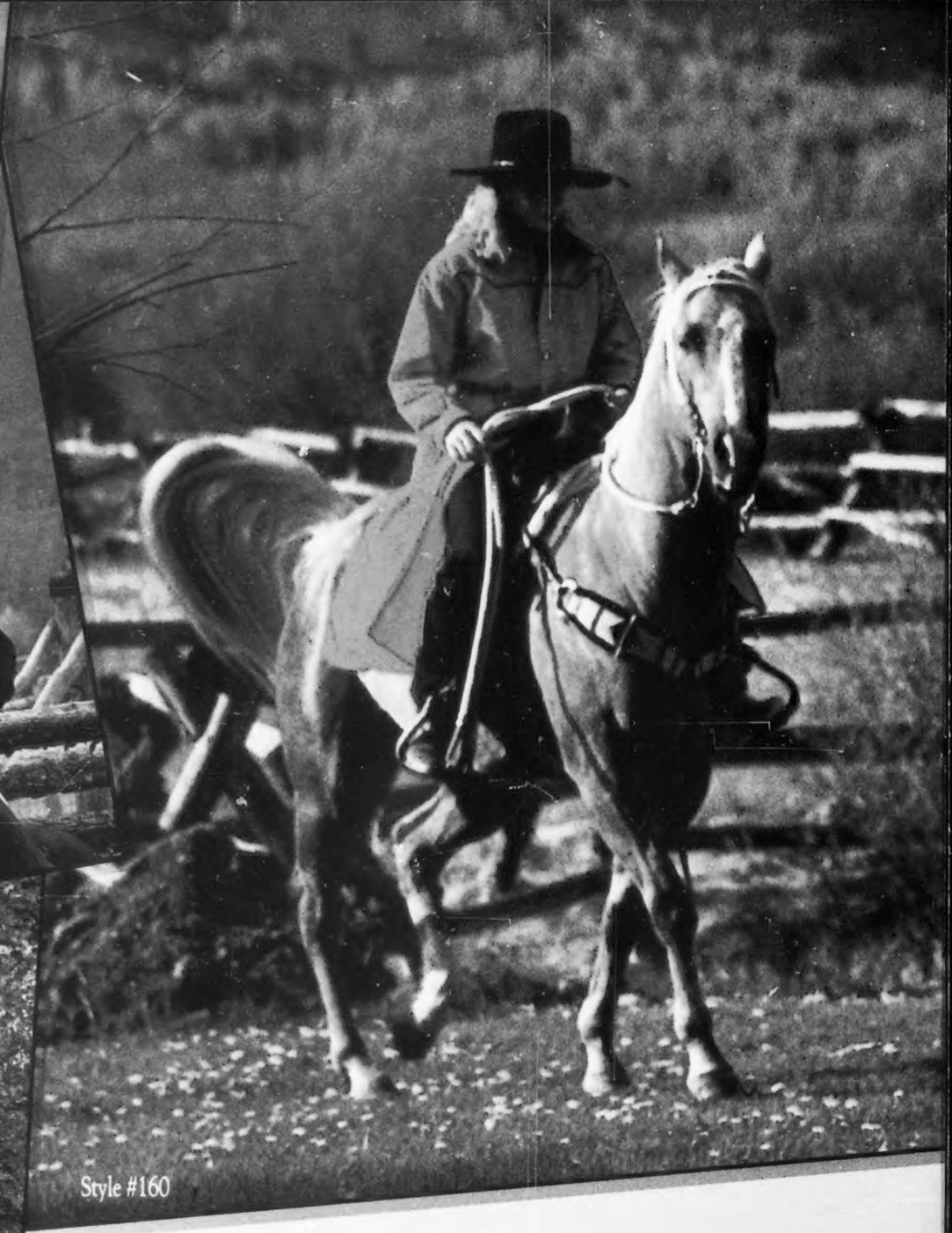
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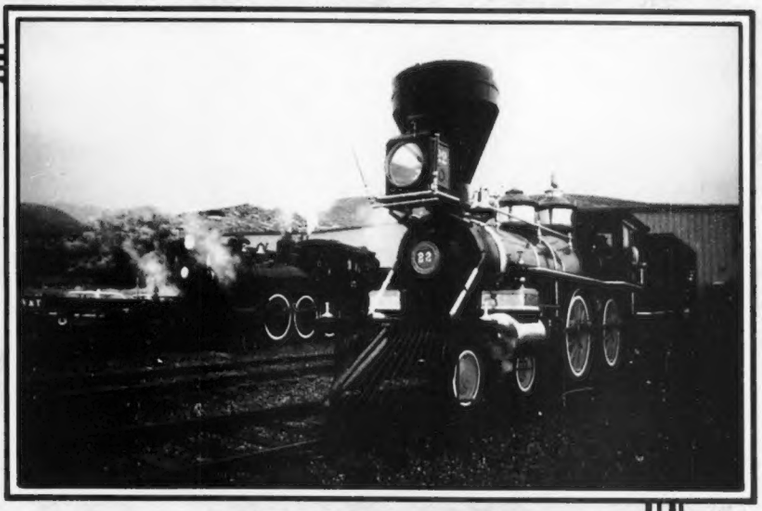

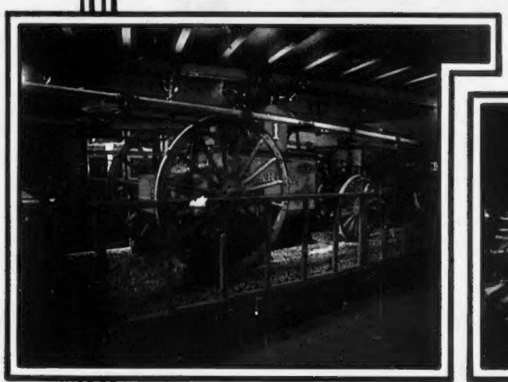

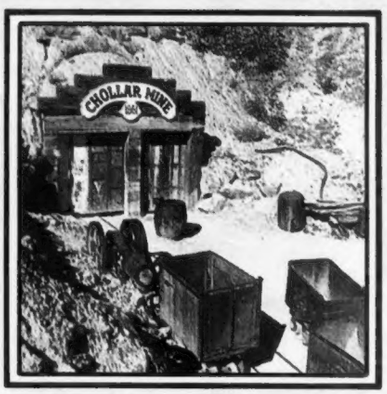

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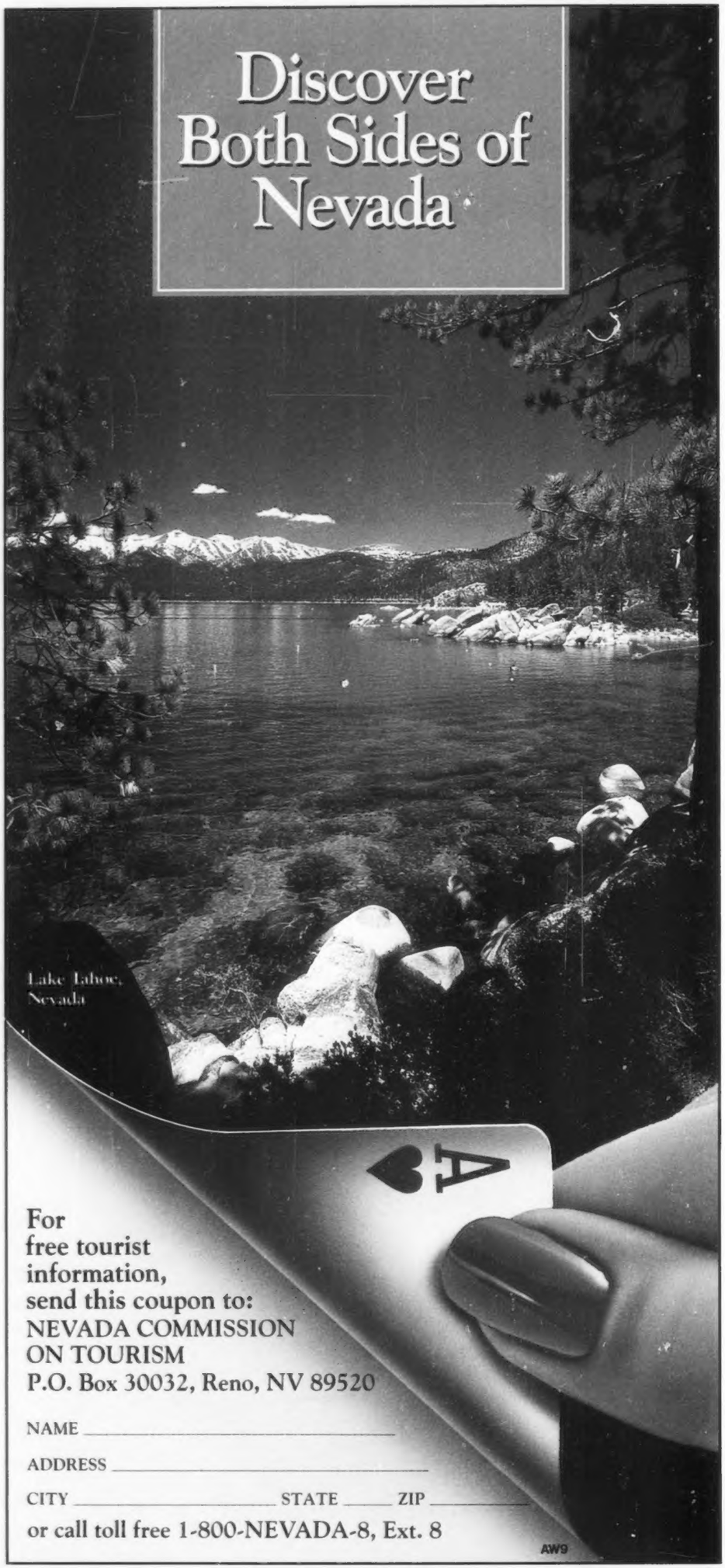

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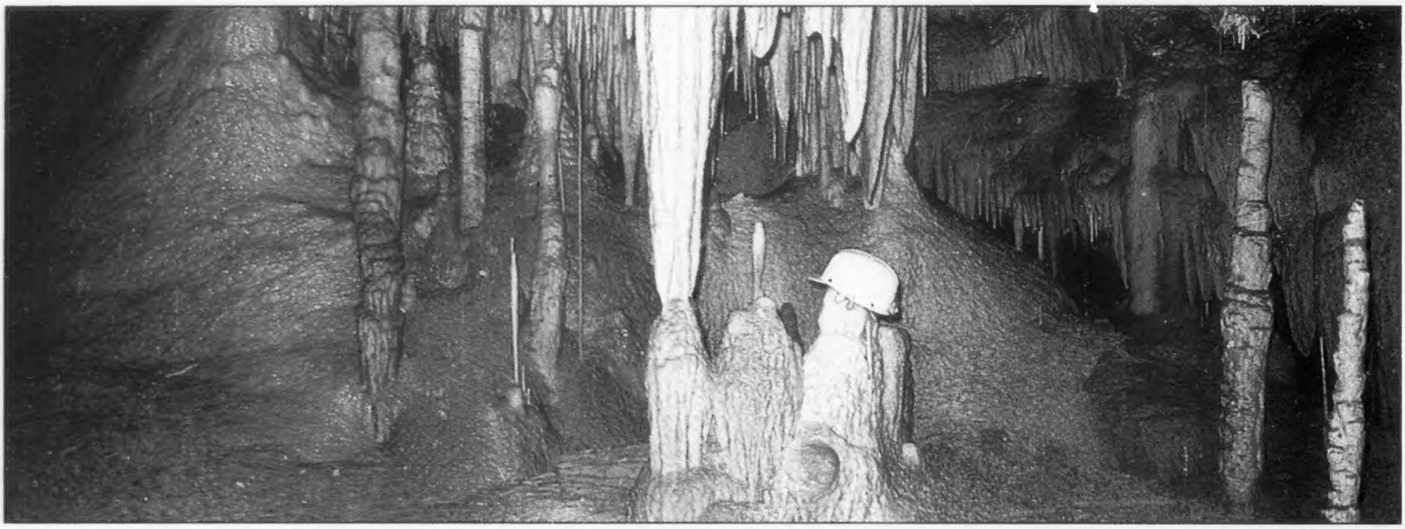

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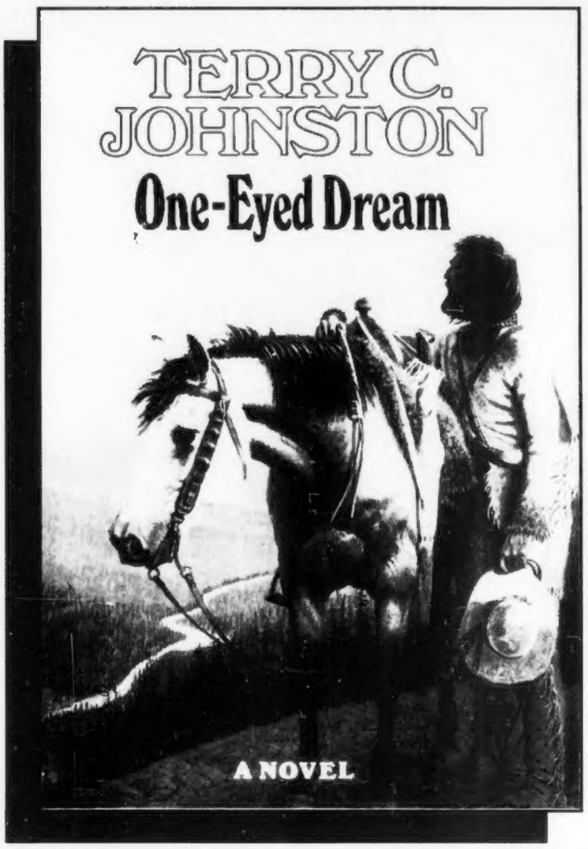

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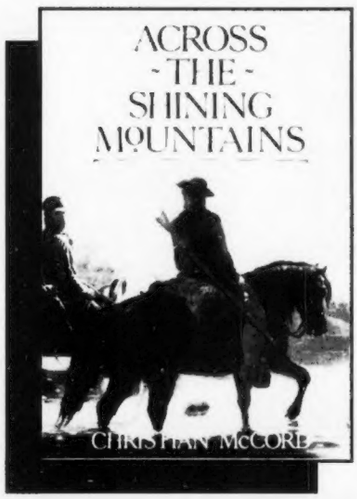

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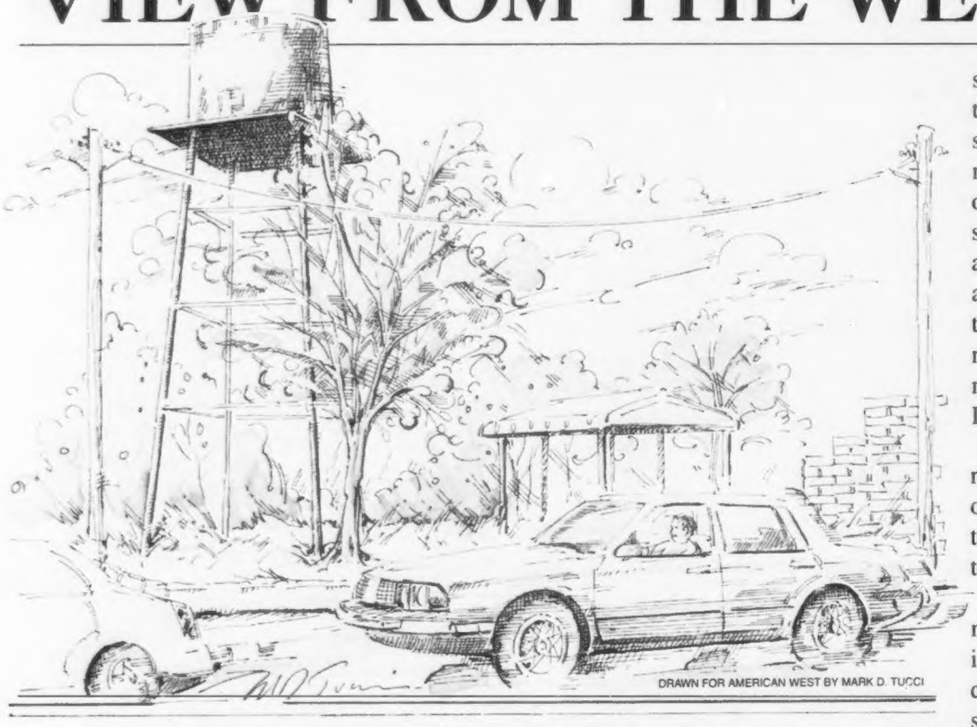


When I was a little boy I made several, cross-country, train trips with my father. From Texas where we lived, we went East where we had relatives and he had business. A strong impression from those trips is that there were almost no buildings along the tracks until we reached Saint Louis. And how from Saint Louis eastward, whenever the rails neared a town, the number of tracks began to increase until there was at last a great avenue of parallel rails racing into the city. In the end the tracks flowed between rows of old brick buildings.

I imagined then that the tracks from the West were like a big tree. The trunk and roots were in the new lands of the West, the branches and leaves were in the East. The first big fork on the tree trunk appeared at Saint Louis. Later, the further East we went, the more spurs appeared with more and more buildings like the leaves along the top branches of a tree.

I loved the miles and miles of open country as the train click-clacked across Texas, toward Oklahoma and then into Missouri where it hugged the banks of the Mississippi. But there was a special joy in seeing the old, red-brick buildings with their stone window casements and the family names painted proudly across the top. I'd get up early in the morning and raise the shade just enough to peep out as we hurtled towards Saint Louis.

Even when the buildings were abandoned and derelict, with my nose touching the cold Pullman glass, I'd imagine the dreams of the people who'd built those factories and warehouses, and the people who'd worked there. All the hope that must have gone into those bricks, all the trains that must have passed with people looking at the proud names. I liked to think back to the very day the painter came and the name flowed out in fresh white, letter by letter.

When the buildings were particularly decrepit and abandoned, I imagined some lost son returning, kicking open the sagging door, tearing off the shutters, and breathing new life into the dream of his grandfather. I could imagine the old machinery, polished, oiled, and repaired, humming again. The sign of someone-and-son once again proclaiming for all the passing world to see. New hope in brick and labor. Fresh white paint on the old name.

Not far from my home in Arizona today, lies a sprawling conglomeration of auto lots, shopping malls, car washes, movie theaters, hardware supplies, fast food franchises, and just about every other variety of store and beanery known to modern man.

I can't say for certain how long it took to erect these several blocks of shopping-frenzy on what was, until recently, a little nondescript stretch of open land. The place offers the bizarre impression that it simply appeared suddenly one day without warning. Even more baffling is the fact that a couple of tens of thousands of people also materialized simultaneously with the coming of the malls and roads. It's as though a Stephen King architect had the power to breathe life into the miniature people and cars that urban planners are fond of sprinkling throughout their models. Where did these people shop before? I ask myself.

What was here before? I wonder, as I negotiate the traffic. For months I mulled over this question. There didn't appear to be a trace of anything from the past. Then I spotted the old water tank.

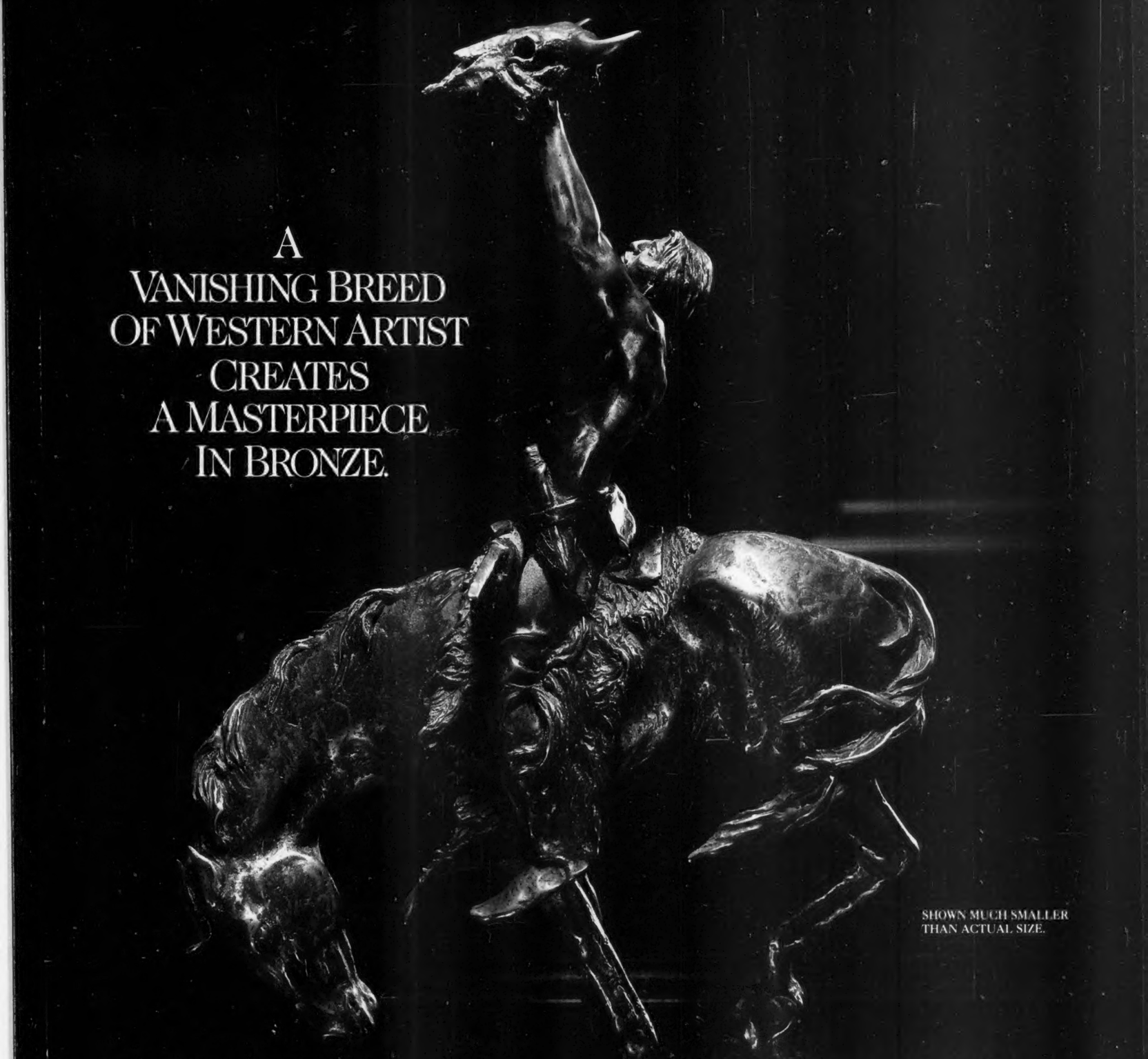
Uncertain, standing on spindly legs in the midst of the crush of roads and modern buildings, it gave the impression that it had wandered into town on its own. Left a ranch yard somewhere outside of town, took a wrong turn on a rural road, and got lost in the midst of this crowd of noise and strange buildings.

It turns out that the mall and other buildings stand on what was a 160-acre homestead built in the late 1880s by Edward L. Wetmore, and later his son. A street there bears their name. The lonesome water tower is descended from the years when the main road through the homestead was first a stagecoach route (until about 1900) and later a cattle-driving trail until 1930. Before that the place was too wild even to imagine a water tank on legs. The homestead sustained the last major Indian attack in the area when in 1887 Edward Wetmore's ranch was set afire by Apaches from the San Carlos Reservation over seventy miles to the northeast who came looking for water and fresh mounts.

From open land to homesteading to Apache attacks to stagecoaches to cattle drives to the Piccadilly Cafeteria, and a shopping mall... all in the space of a hundred years, and not a trace left but the chance (no doubt temporary) preservation of that old spindly legged water tower.

The West doesn't have many old brick buildings for boys to gaze at. I took mine by to see the water tower.

Tom Pew



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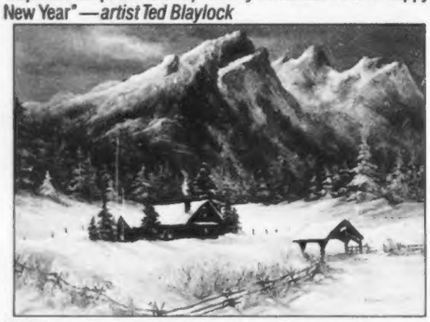

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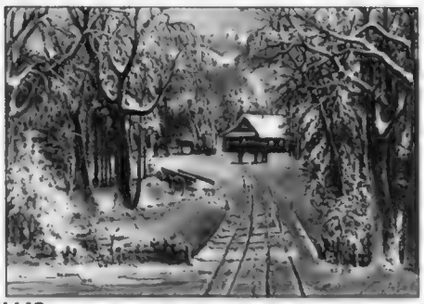

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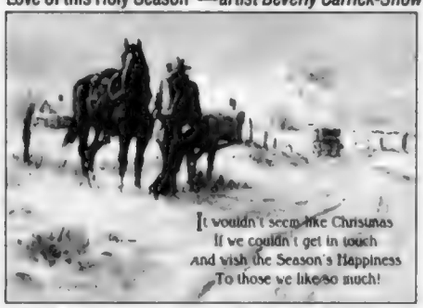
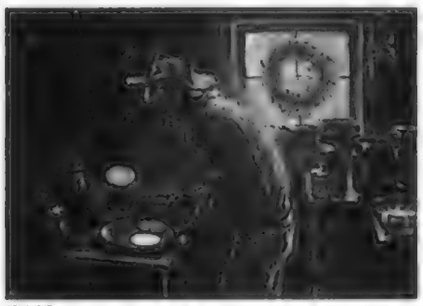


2555 **"It wouldn't seem like Christmas if we couldn't get in touch and wish the Season's Happiness to those we like so much!"** "Merry Christmas"
—artist Ron Crooks

2520 "It's Christmas again! May yours be a joyful one and your New Year happy!"*—artist Hildred Goodwine*



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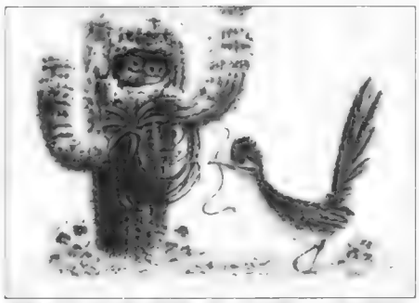
2558 "The grass is short, the range is dry, good prospects ain't a half inch high. The cows ain't fat, this verse ain't clever, but 'Merry Christmas' same as ever!"
—*artist Tim Cox*

2543 **A DESERT SYMPHONY** "To those we love and see each day and other loved ones far away, to all good friends whose friendship means so much and those with whom we're somehow out of touch...Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!"—*artist Beverly Carrick-Snow*



3411 **"'Tis the Season to be Jolly!"** "Hope your Holidays are filled with good cheer that carries on throughout the New Year!"—*artist Richard Barth*

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Stress in the West

Regarding your August "View from the West," I really got tickled as I read about the dreaded "Western stress." My question: If it's so stressful out West, why do so many *Eastern* license plates appear out here during *vacation* time?

I'm one, stressed-out, working mother who enjoys kicking back, out West, with AMERICAN WEST. Love it!

Paulette Bellamy
Lemoore, California

Rapid City

We enjoyed the fine article on Rapid City and its surrounding attractions. As the authors pointed out, one has to make a "return trip to see everything (that had been) missed." We are making our fifth trip out there this summer, visiting our Air Force family at Ellsworth AFB. We still have not seen all there is to see.

One place not mentioned, and which is a must for anyone with an interest in the Plains Indians, is nearby Bear Butte. It is just north of Rapid City, off I-90. Now a state park, legend says it was here that the Sun Dance originated among the Cheyenne and that the first shield was made from the shrunken neck hide of a buffalo.

It is a sacred place to the Indians even today, and a hike to the top offers few problems, even for non/hikers-climbers. When you get there and see the endless plains receding into the eastern horizon and the Black Hills to south and west, it is a sight to remember.

David C. Andrews
New Bern, North Carolina

The article "Rapid City — Gateway to South Dakota Adventures" is an interesting and tempting story of this Western area. One of the picture captions, however, probably a Chamber of Commerce statement, is incorrect. Harney Peak, at 7242 feet, falls a bit short of being the tallest point between the Rockies and the Atlantic. Indeed, Monument Hill on I-25 south of Denver is that high.

The highest point between the Rocky Mountains and the Atlantic Ocean is Laramie Peak, which stands a few miles northwest of Wheatland, Wyoming. Its elevation is 10,274 feet. And to forestall debate, the Rockies go from the Front Range through the Medicine Bows and the Sierra Madre to the Bighorns.

Much of Francis Parkman's 1846 trip, described in *The Oregon Trail*, centered on Laramie Peak.

Harrison Cobb
Fort Collins, Colorado

Homage to L'Amour

I could not let the moment pass without a comment on the passing of an American Legend. Louis L'Amour is no longer riding with us.

He's headed down the river trail, looking for a friend to ride the river with. Beneath him is a good horse, his favorite bald-faced grulla. Wait a minute! Who's that comin' from the hills to the east? It sure looks like — well, it surely is — that's Tell and Tye and Orrin! And they're joining him on the trail. Now that is surely Hondo just breaking the skyline on the ridge to the north — there's no mistaking the way he sits a bronc.

Hold on! There's a bunched-up passel of riders awaitin' on the trail ahead. There's Tom Sunday and Cap' Rountree. Flint's over there to the side and Taggert and Noon, and there's Galleghen, Trevallion, Milo, and a whole mess more. I've a good notion there'll be a good many tales around the campfire tonight.

Observing from a distant ridge, stands a motley group of people, the likes of which you'll never see again. There's Jasper Pritts and Albert Heskith, Tap, Barlow, and Sylvie among the crowd. They are melancholy, just as we are melancholy. No more can we wait with great anticipation for the next BOOK. No more can we ride with him down the trails of the American West.

We'll miss you, Louis — all the millions of us.

Frank Geyer
Ontario, California

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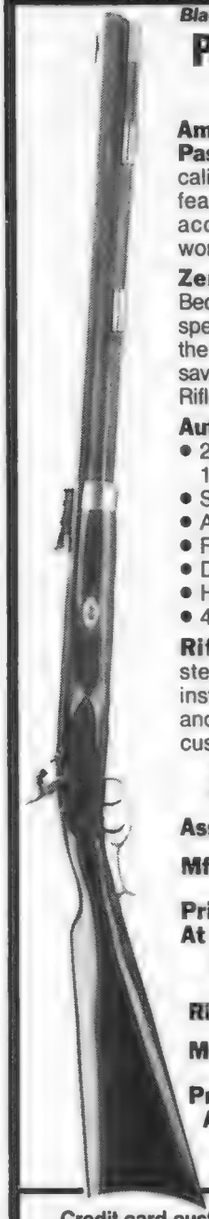

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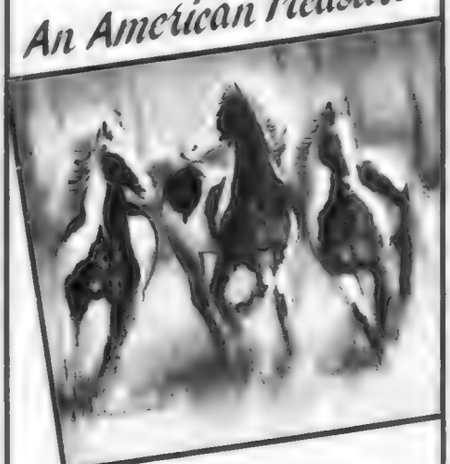

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Tabor Opera House

In your April issue, the story about the Silver King, Horace Tabor, and his wife Baby Doe was terribly interesting. I imagine the Matchless Mine was completely worthless all those years after Horace Tabor's death — how unfortunate.

I am baffled that no mention was made by the writer of Baby Doe's daughter coming to her rescue. My question is: Why didn't her daughter (or other children of the marriage) come to her rescue?

Mrs. Furman is to be commended for her interest and work in preserving the Tabor Opera House in Leadville. A marvelous woman, and a marvelous story.

Margaret S. Metzger
Fullerton, California

Mystery gadgets

Enclosed is a photograph of three hand-forged gadgets found at the home station of the Niobrara Transportation Company, which ran stages from Rawlins to Lander, Wyoming, before the railroad served Lander. Overall lengths are 4½ to 5 inches. The square shank was probably mounted in a handle.

Various guesses have been made: ox goads (ends wouldn't be bent); sprags to hold the stagecoach while horses rested (too light); rifle rests (they show no wear in the crotch). Does anyone know for sure?

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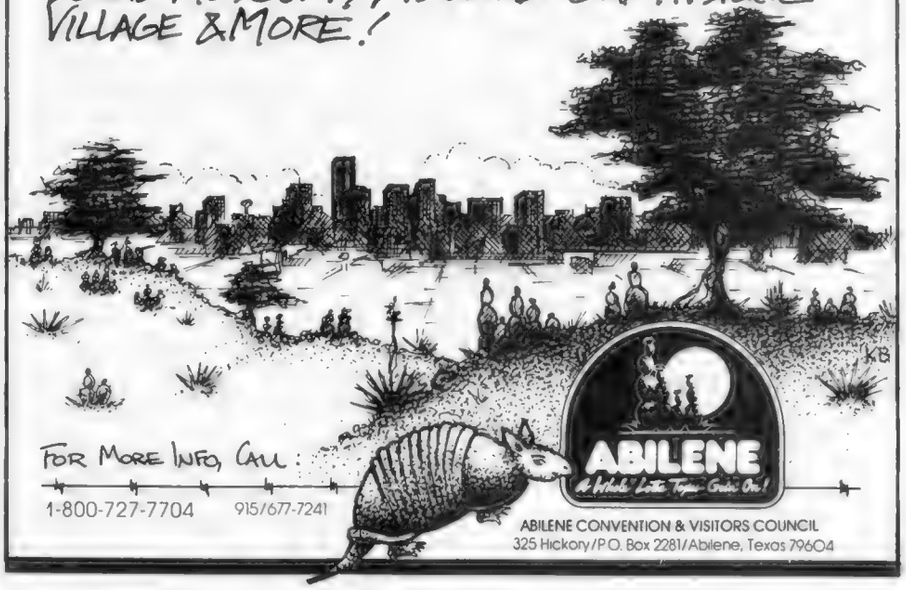

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WW II Desert Training Center: Patton Memorial Museum to Open

The land that God forgot. World War II veterans who cursed the harsh deserts of southern California, Arizona, and Nevada during desert warfare training will gather November 11 to dedicate the General Patton Memorial Museum at Chiriaco Summit, thirty miles east of Indio, California. The museum is devoted to the Desert Training Center and to the men who served there. The veterans also meet to honor General George A. Patton, Jr., the fierce and flamboyant warrior who organized the center. Patton served there briefly — April through July 1942 — until he and the I Armored Corps left to take part in the invasion of North Africa.

Interpretive displays at the 10,000-square-foot museum (located at the original entrance to Camp Young, the center's headquarters) include dioramas, artifacts, and memorabilia associated with camp life.

The training center — which covered about 18,000 square miles at its greatest size — was established here in 1942 because the area was big enough and remote enough to carry on large-scale combat maneuvers under realistic conditions. At one point, 191,000 troops were stationed in the area, a number that overwhelmed the abilities of nearby Indio and Yuma to provide recreation for the men. The operation was closed in April 1944, and today few physical remnants remain of the numerous camps that were scattered across the forbidding landscape.

Veterans with mementos of service at the Desert Training Center are encouraged to lend or donate materials to the new museum. For information, write to General Patton Memorial, Inc., Chiriaco Summit, California 92201.

Equine Trust Foundation. Looking for a quality horse at a great price? Contact the Equine Trust Foundation, a charitable organization that takes donations of horses from breeders and owners and finds greener pastures for them. Proceeds go to further research in two vital areas: equine colic and the bone disease osteochondritis, which cripples many young animals. Horses for sale represent all breeds — including Arabians, quarter horses, and Thoroughbreds — and range in price from $100 to $600, depending on age and pedigree. The Foundation (6119 East Sandra Terrace, Scottsdale, Arizona 85254) concentrates its efforts in the Southwest but hopes to reach a national scale in the near future.

In May 1986 nine climbers died on Oregon's Mount Hood during a sudden snowstorm, with two young students surviving. Members of the Mountain Signal Memorial Fund hope that a new electronic homing device will save other lives on the 11,235-foot peak. Not much larger than a cigarette pack and weighing eight or nine ounces, the locator emits a signal which can be tracked under the most difficult weather conditions. The all-weather units are available for rent at mountaineering stores in the Portland, Oregon, area. The Mountain Signal Memorial Fund, a nonprofit organization, developed and distributes the equipment entirely with donated funds.

WANTED! $5,000 Reward. Black-footed ferrets are extremely rare animals — only twenty-four live in captivity and none is thought to exist in the wild. The New York Zoological Society and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service are offering a reward of $5,000, good until September 30, to anyone who can find or photograph one of the elusive creatures in its natural habitat. The reward will not be paid to anyone who harasses, traps, or kills a black-footed ferret.

There have never been large numbers of the ferrets, but they were known to live in the Rocky Mountain states until the 1980s. According to Lou Hanebury of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, scientists believe that contact with canine distemper spelled the end for the remaining animals by the mid-1980s. Where ferrets could be found, they were trapped and are now held in a breeding program in Wyoming. They do not reproduce readily in captivity, however, and since 1987 only two litters have been born.

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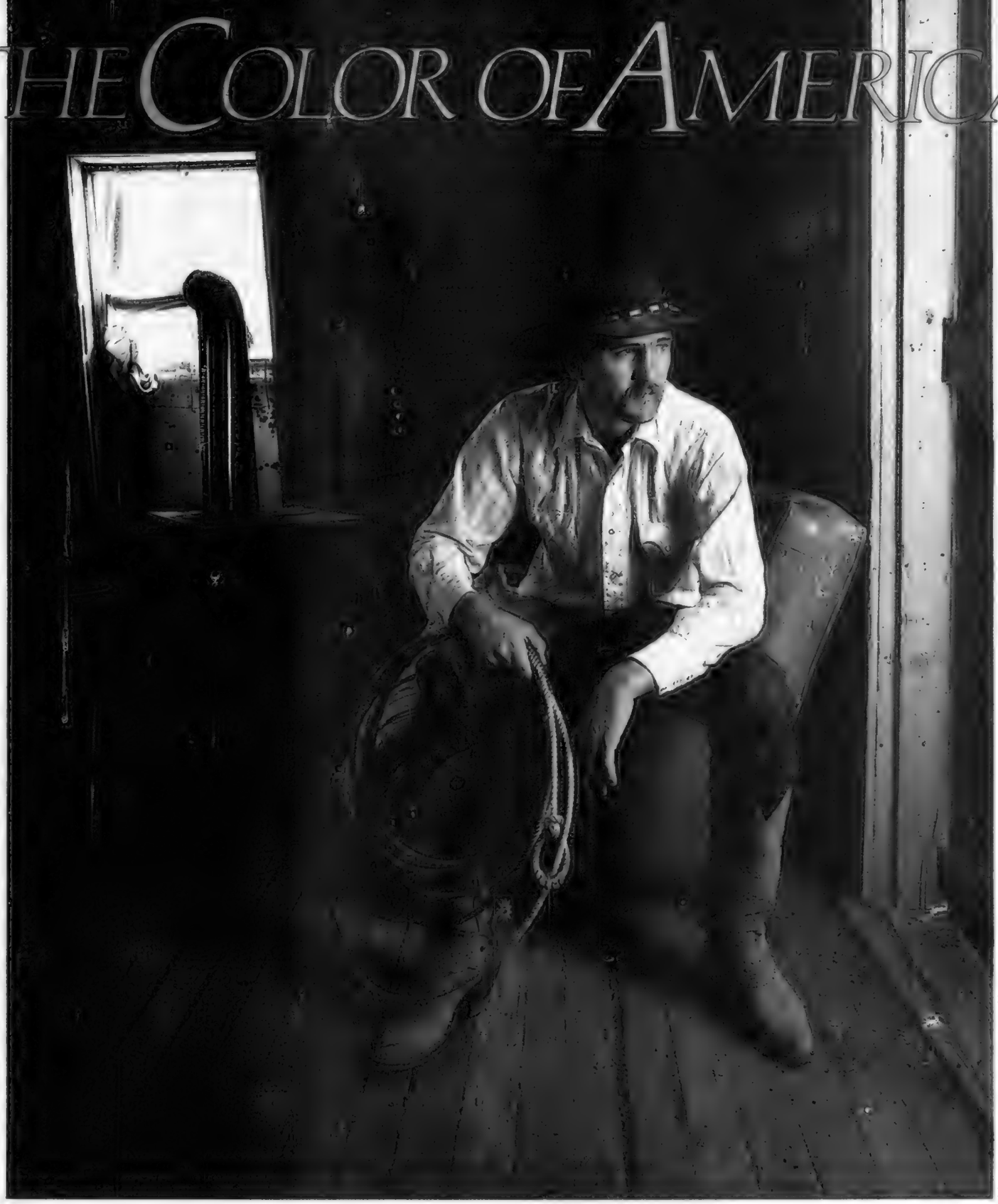

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Mount St. Helens has become a tourist attraction since the mountain blew its top in May 1980. Near Castle Rock, east of the volcano, the National Park Service now entertains about one million guests a year at the new Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument Visitors' Center, which features geological and historical exhibits and audio and visual displays.

Experts do not consider the volcano dormant — rather, they call it quiet — but climbers are now allowed to make their way to the crater rim. It's a six-hour trek that requires fitness and mountaineering experience. One hundred permits are issued to climbers each day by the Park Service, and reservations should be made in advance. For information write to NPS, Route 1, Box 369, Amboy, Washington 98601, or call (206) 274-5473.

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Travel to mysterious Tarahumara country. The Barranca del Cobre (Copper Canyon) in Chihuahua, Mexico — which rivals the depth and scale of the Grand Canyon of the Colorado — is a vertical world cut by the Rio Urique. It is also the ancestral home of the Tarahumara Indians, primitive farmers and herders, and the destination for a limited number of adventurous rail buffs and backpackers. The journey begins in El Paso, Texas, and moves on to Chihuahua City, where trekkers pick up the Ferrocarril Chihuahua al Pacifico for the trip over the Sierra

Madre Occidental to the chasm rim. Leaving the train, hikers spend the night at the rim and prepare for six days in the wilderness. Local Indian guides lead the group into the canyon. Trails are steep and demanding, but the outfitters allow plenty of time for rest, relaxation along the river, and exploration of archeological sites. Pack animals carry water and supplies. The $750 cost includes round-trip transportation from El Paso, all accommodations, and most meals. Contact Sobek Expeditions at P.O. Box 1089, Angels Camp, California 95222 (209-736-4524).

Nebraska has the distinction of having Homestead National Monument, a museum and display area dedicated to showing how the Homestead Act was instrumental in opening up the frontier. Over a million and a half pioneer families took advantage of the act, homesteading 160-acre farms.

Not far from Beatrice in the southeastern corner of the state, Daniel Freeman, then in the Union Army, registered the first 160-acre plot of land under the Homestead Act on New Year's Day 1863. His farm is the site of the museum complex. Living-history displays from the frontier era — 1860s to 1890s — are held each weekend.

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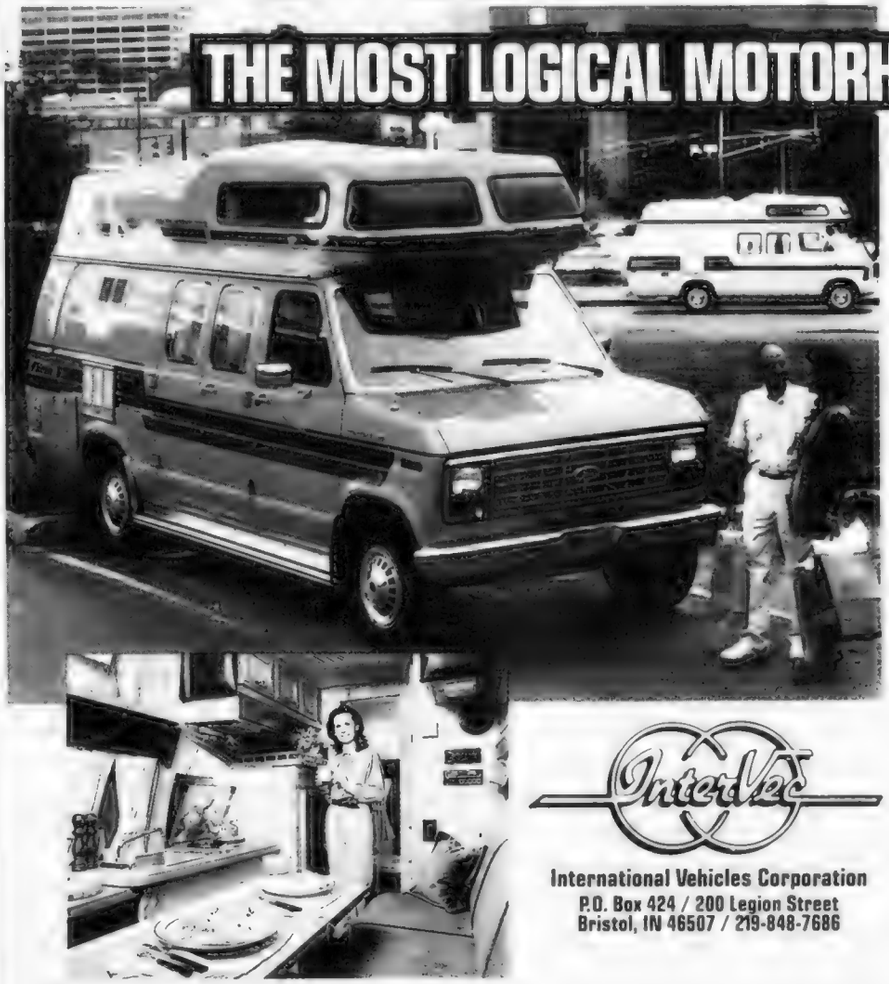

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fore, distributed "ferret wanted" posters in federal buildings all over the mountain West, hoping to find more of the animals to reduce the hazards of inbreeding. Ferreting out one of the animals will put cash in your pocket.

Eagle eyes are often needed to spot the subtle differences between imitation and genuine American Indian jewelry. Tourists unaware of typical settings and stones used by Indians in their bracelets, rings, and necklaces may waste their dollars on a fraudulent piece that falls apart soon after it is bought. To help purchasers distinguish between the authentic and the fake, the Federal Trade Commission has issued a three-page consumer guide. Inspired by the large volume of complaints the FTC received, the leaflet offers tips on determining a stone's authenticity (Has the stone been certified by the Indian Arts and Crafts Board of the Department of the Interior?) and advises consumers to find out as much as they can about Indian jewelry before going on a shopping spree. The guide also tells where complaints should be registered. Quantity orders of the guide can be obtained by writing Ed Bush, FTC, 6th and Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20580.

Earthquakes. The U.S. Geological Survey reports that the number of significant earthquakes rose in 1987 to the highest in a decade. Seventy-six major quakes were reported worldwide—ten of them in the United States or in U.S. coastal waters. The strongest, 7.6 on the Richter scale, shook the Gulf of Alaska in late November. USGS scientists also predict that a magnitude 6 (Richter) tremor will occur along the San Andreas Fault about halfway between Los Angeles and San Francisco near the town of Parkfield, Monterey County, in the next five years. Parkfield (population thirty-four) lies on the fault line and is the best-understood earthquake region in the world. Small tremors rattle the area frequently. In fact, USGS experts say, quakes of about magnitude 6 have struck the tiny village on a predictable average of every twenty-two years.

An array of highly sophisticated seismographic equipment at Parkfield records the smallest tremors and helps scientists learn more about early signs of an impending earthquake. The result, they hope, will be a reliable set of criteria for predicting potential disasters.

Endurance Horse Racing. Mary Koefod (Nevada, Missouri), riding Dana's Northlite, won the grueling 100-mile Race of Champions, and H H Camelot, ridden by Ann Bartley (La Pine, Oregon), was awarded the trophy for Best Conditioned Horse last July. Race of Champions is the premier event — and the most demanding — on the endurance circuit. It is always held in the West, this year at the SHAR Ranch in the Pike National Forest, Colorado.

Riders (the majority of them women) and their mounts must be physically and mentally tough, and they must complete the course within twenty-four hours. Ninety-nine horses started the 1988 competition; fifty-seven finished. The animals must pass a veterinary check before the race, pass vet checks at stopping points along the trail, then go through another after the race. The first animal across the finish line wins, but the most prestigious award goes to the Best Conditioned Horse.

RACE OF CHAMPIONS COURTESY PURINA RACE OF CHAMPIONS

Walk the high country — the Colorado Trail is open (see AMERICAN WEST, December 1987). Built by volunteers and dedicated last July, the hiking path runs about 470 miles from Denver to Durango and crosses mountain wilderness areas that are not accessible to vehicles. A comprehensive guide detailing botany, biology, geology, and special routes is available, as is a series of twenty-nine special maps printed on waterproof paper. For more information, write Colorado Trail Foundation, 548 Pine Song Trail, Golden, Colorado 80401.

It's so old, it's new. Two Montanans, Bob Perkins and Paul Leininger, are making a new version of something that has been around for hundreds of years — the atlatl. The ancient spear-throwing system is little more than a weighted stick two feet long with a notch at the back to hold a dart in place. The front of the missile is held between the thrower's thumb and forefinger. An overhand swing, much like throwing a ball, will project a six-foot dart (aluminium in the modern version) at great speeds over long distances. Perkins has done considerable research into the system and what makes it work, which has baffled archeologists for years. With a background in engineering, Perkins believes that the weapon reached its peak in development among the ancient peoples of the American Southwest.

Early man put food in his stomach with the atlatl. Today, it is a recreational item, with enthusiasts gathering in various Western states for throwing competitions. Perkins and Leininger run B.P.S. Engineering in Manhattan, Montana.

Llama fever. Llamas have become backyard pets and working animals in the United States, so it is no wonder that there is an international association and an annual meeting devoted to them. North American llama lovers plan to converge on San Diego's Del Mar Fairgrounds for the International Llama Association Jamboree, November 5 and 6. The event highlights the diversity of the animals as they are put through obstacle courses, cart-pulling competitions, an endurance race, and other activities. Exhibits on the uses for llama wool and employing llamas as pack animals are attractions at the meeting.

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The Hearthstone Inn: Victorian Hospitality Supreme

by Francis L. and Roberta B. Fugate

The first time you stop at the Hearthstone Inn in Colorado Springs, you don't just rent a room and move in your luggage. You are escorted on a tour of available rooms to pick one that suits your mood: Conservatory, Governess's Quarters, Coachman's Room, The Loft, Fireside, Hideaway. There are twenty-five, all different. We were torn between the Author's Den and the Library, but we selected the latter because of its fireplace and a Victorian reading chair that seemed almost to wrap its arms around you. (Solitude and the Solarium were in use by honeymooners.)

The second time you stop you feel as if you are coming home. That feeling is instilled by the warm Victorian elegance of the parlor and the sitting room with candy dishes, coffee, herbal tea, soft drinks, and cakes and cookies. But the staff is most important: Each employee has performed every duty, from sweeping the floors and polishing woodwork to manning the reception desk. Each employee knows your name. And where else but home would you find a container of food from which to feed Stubby, the short-tailed squirrel who roams the front yard?

Perhaps the secret of the Inn's hospitality is pinpointed by a guest who wrote: "These people know everything about every place you want or need to see, and they will help you get there."

The Hearthstone Inn inspires conversation. At breakfast one couple confessed, "We talked to each other for three hours last night, and we haven't done that for six years!" The Inn is popular with honeymooners, many of whom come with gift certificates which they receive as wedding presents.

Breakfast is a sumptuous repast that brings guests together in an airy dining room to compare notes on their experiences in and around Colorado Springs. A cabinet in the corner displays a rainbow of ribbons that the jams, cakes, and breads you eat have won in state and county fairs.

On the fourth day, we ticked off four entrées we had experienced: a cheese soufflé with mushroom sauce, a crustless quiche, eggs baked in tomato shells, and crepes and apples, each accompanied by mouth-watering fruits and breads. Every day had been different.

"How many menus do you have?" we asked Dot Williams, one of the owners.

She smiled. "If you stay twenty-four days, we will be a little pushed to give you something different on that last day. We serve twenty-three menus."

How the Hearthstone Inn came to be is a study in perseverance. Dot Williams and Ruth Williams (no relation) were psychotherapists in Texas, who had talked about owning a bed and breakfast establishment for years. In 1976 they found a likely prospect, a run down Queen-Anne–style mansion in Colorado Springs that had been built in 1895 by a paper-bag manufacturer named Bemis. Originally it had ten rooms and 6,000 square feet. In 1935 those rooms were unmercifully chopped into ten apartments. But Dot and Ruth thought the house held promise and decided to buy it.

However, the real estate appraiser decreed, "This house is at the end of its useful life." Ten bankers agreed. Some suggested they would finance the project if the women would level the building and open a fast-food establishment. Dot and Ruth enlisted a lawyer as a temporary partner to give their project "male stability" and legal know-how. At last, they found financial backing. Hassles with the city about building regulations took another five months. Renovation began in December 1977. Six months and 792 rolls of wallpaper later, they were ready to open.

"We had two shifts working, but we did a lot of the work ourselves," said Dot Williams. "We stripped woodwork, we painted, we hung all the wallpaper. And friends helped. Our postman welded our gate latch."

They ended up buying the house next door as well, a dilapidated Victorian sanitarium. It had a carriage house in back, complete with a hayloft and open rafters. They brought in a crane to hoist the carriage house and snuggle it down between the two buildings to form a sitting room linking the two houses into a charming, rambling multilevel entity. The buildings were painted gray and lavender and tied together with eight authentic Victorian decorative colors, including lilac, peach, plum, and magenta.

"You may not like the color scheme," says Dot Williams, "but you will remember you have seen it." (Most people like it.)

Furnishing the Inn required a three-month tour of the Midwest to acquire antiques:

brass, walnut, and cherry bedsteads; ornate sofas; marble-topped dressers; sideboards and tables; washstands and pitchers; authentic brass lighting fixtures; fireplace implements. Three rooms have working fireplaces; all but two have baths. There are innerspring mattresses and discreetly concealed air conditioners but no room phones or television sets, "a welcome loss" as one guest commented. If you are musically inclined, you can play an antique piano or an oaken pump organ that was displayed in the 1893 Columbia Exposition.

The resulting restoration earned listing in the National Register of Historic Places and a number of awards for historical preservation.

"For the opening, our banker sent us two dozen red roses and, we're sure, a silent prayer or two," said Dot Williams. There is no record of comments by the ten bankers who refused loans.

A visitor finds enough to see and do in the Colorado Springs area for the Hearthstone Inn to serve as home for several days: Cave of the Winds, Garden of the Gods, Air Force Academy, the summit of 14,110-foot Pikes Peak, National Olympic Training Headquarters, Cheyenne Mountain Zoo, Seven Falls, Will Rogers Shrine of the Sun, Cripple Creek Gold Mining District, Prorodeo Hall of Champions, and Pioneers Museum. Then there are skiing, white-water rafting, horseback riding, and spectacular mountain scenery. Dot Williams will pack you a box lunch and clue you in on the best places to eat dinner, depending upon where you are going.

Within walking distance you'll find the Fine Arts Center, American Numismatic Association Money Museum, the McAllister House Museum, and six denominations of churches. "Old Colorado City," a delightful Victorian-flavored shopping area of more than a hundred boutiques, antique shops, eateries, and galleries, is not too far away. All cheerfully accept credit cards, as we were reminded after our return home.

To reach the Hearthstone Inn: From I-25 (the major north-south highway) take Exit 143 (Uintah Street), drive east (away from the mountains) to the third stop light (Cascade Avenue). Turn right for seven blocks. The Inn is on your right at the corner of St. Vrain and Cascade. Prices for double-occupancy are in the $50-$100 range, and that includes breakfast.

For reservations address: The Hearthstone Inn, 506 North Cascade, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80903. Telephone: (719) 473-4413.

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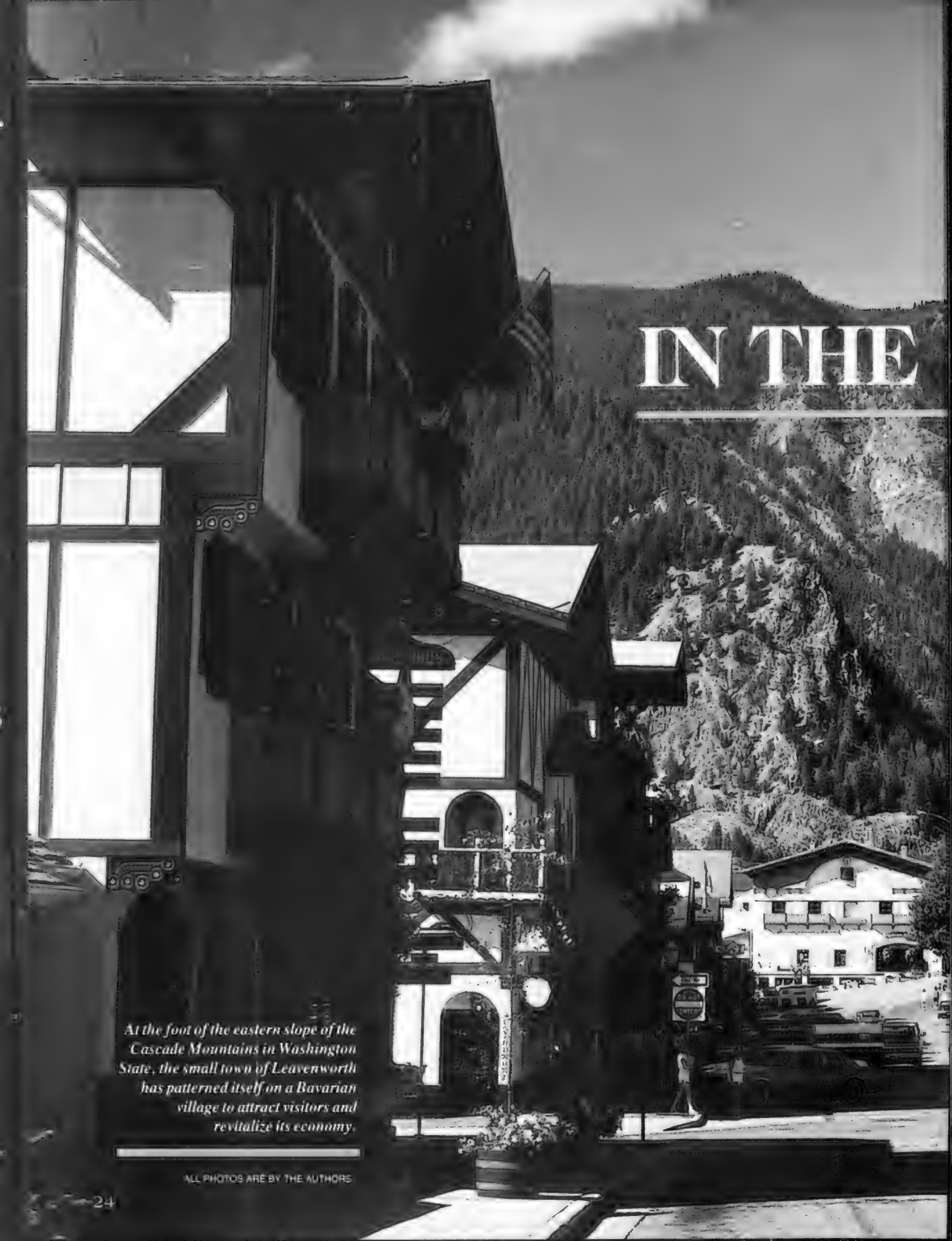

IN THE

At the foot of the eastern slope of the Cascade Mountains in Washington State, the small town of Leavenworth has patterned itself on a Bavarian village to attract visitors and revitalize its economy.

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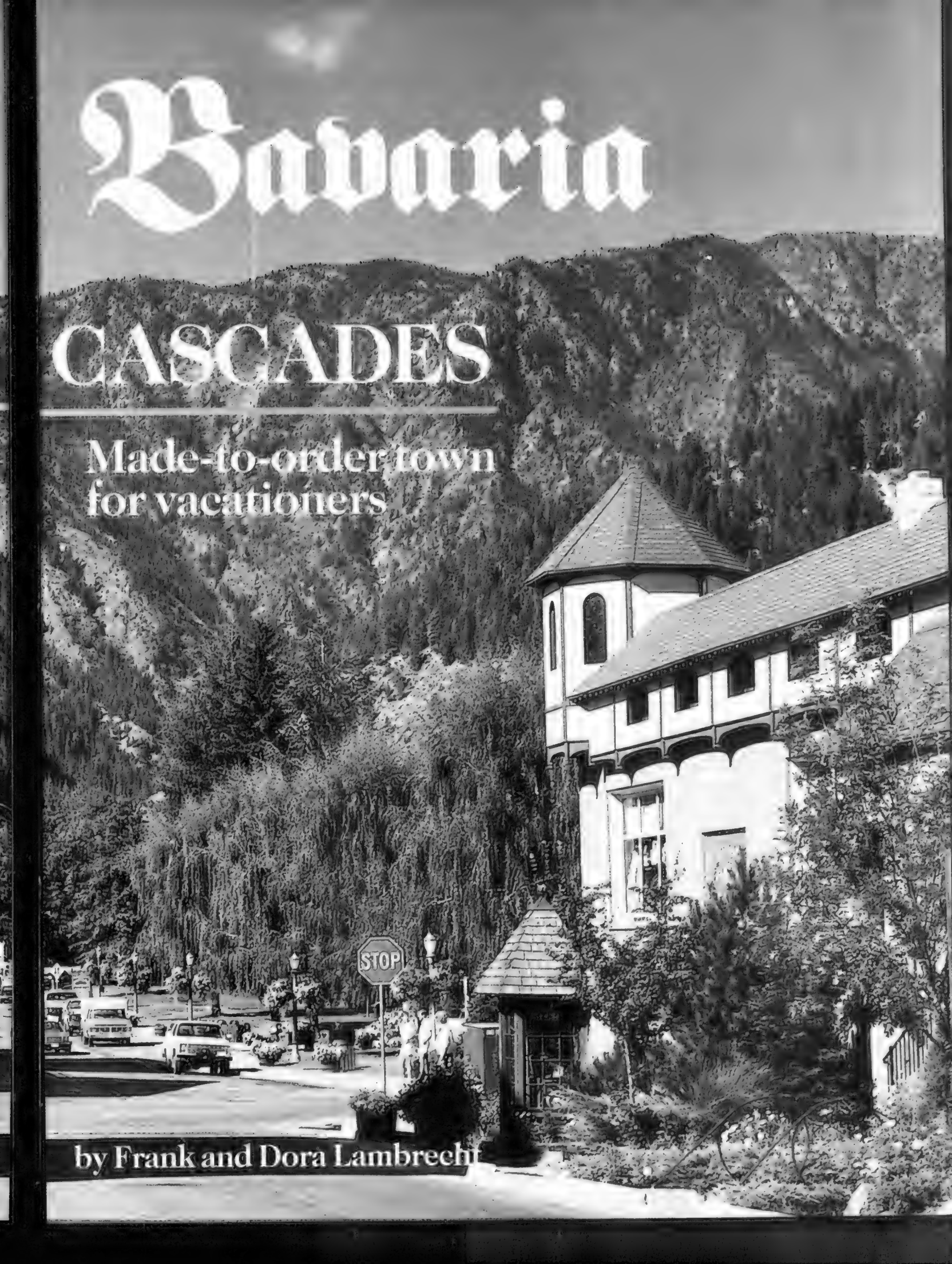

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DURING THE EARLY 1960S THE CITIZENS OF Leavenworth, a small town at the foot of the eastern slope of the Cascade Mountains in the state of Washington, faced an all-important decision regarding their town and their own destiny: whether to abandon their settlement, which after many years of prosperity was then ailing, or find ways to revive it. This choice had confronted other Western towns; some once-thriving communities had ended in dusty decay, witness our much-touted ghost towns.

The first white men to visit the eastern Cascade region were trappers of the Hudson's Bay Company who explored the area during the early part of the nineteenth century. The region remained remote until the discovery of gold. The story goes that gold was first found near Colville in 1852 after Angus McDonald, a Hudson's Bay Company agent, showed his men a sack of gold-bearing sand from California. The next day when one of them went to haul water from the Columbia river, he noticed glittering specks in the sand at the edge of the riverbank similar to the sample from California. He scooped some of the sand and water in his hat, gently swirled it for a minute and after pouring the water off, saw unmistakable tiny flakes of gold at the bottom of his hat.

In 1860 the discovery of gold near Blewett, twenty miles from present-day Leavenworth, brought the first pioneers to the area. Several families settled in Icicle Valley. This hamlet soon grew into a sizable community with several saloons, a large general store, a post office, and a blacksmith shop, lined up along a single dusty road bordered with plank sidewalks. Its importance increased when the Northern Pacific Railroad introduced a claim to large sections of the area to build a route to the coast. Land was also sold to prospective farmers at low prices. With the news that the Great Northern Railroad planned to come to the valley, the Okanogan Investment Company bought large tracts along the projected route and parceled out townsite lots. The town became known as Leavenworth after Captain Charles Leavenworth, the principal stockholder of the company. Business people, attracted by special low rates for commercial sites were encouraged to move in. The first town structures were crudely made from rough-sawn lumber, hastily erected to accommodate the rapidly increasing numbers of railroad workers, outfitters, saloon keepers, and gamblers.

The town knew some wild early years when it was overrun with parties of gold miners and a large force of railroad construction laborers engaged in boring a tunnel through the Cascade Mountains. At that time, with a population of around 300, Leavenworth was the second largest city in the county. The town expanded even more when the Lamb–Davis Lumber Company installed the largest sawmill in the state and started operations in logging camps up the nearby Wenatchee River, founded the first bank, ran a general store and a hotel, and organized the light and water company.

Encounters in saloons between railroad workers and lumberjacks were not always friendly, giving Leavenworth the not too flattering reputation of a "wild town." Fires were frequent, often destroying a whole block of buildings whose bone-dry timber offered little resistance to the raging flames. In spite of such temporary setbacks business kept booming, while the destroyed properties were soon replaced by brick buildings that lent the town a more sedate and settled appearance.

Farmers who had bought surrounding acreages did not fare well, however. The many dry months during the best part of the growing season severely reduced crops. Yields improved when farmers converted their fields into orchards producing the famous "big red apple" that grows extremely well in the valley. When irrigation water became available, the land, once considered worthless, proved highly productive, and more fruit growers moved in.

By the early 1920s, Leavenworth had changed greatly from its early pioneer times. For one thing, prohibition closed the saloons. Several schools had been built and so had a number of churches. Street lights and telephones had been installed. Business flourished. The town was set for a bright future.

THEN DISASTER STRUCK—TWICE. THE GREAT Northern Railroad moved its marshaling operations to Wenatchee. Railway workers and their payroll left town. Then the sawmill company closed, and its employees and lumberjacks departed. Before the town could recover from the loss of its two largest sources of revenue, the Great Depression set in. Buildings were sold, business dwindled, people moved out. The town was dying, but it survived the Depression. After the busy economic period of World War II, the orchards and small logging operations prevented the complete shutdown of the town. But the people of Leavenworth knew that only drastic measures or a miracle could save it.

A committee of town fathers and concerned citizens ordered the drastic measures that achieved the miracle when, in 1960, they voted for the complete rehabilitation of the town. They would base its future on the attraction provided by the grandeur of the nearby Cascade Mountains and make tourism the main source of revenue. But the enterprise would be possible only if they could gain the total collaboration of all citizens. They got it. With many of the inhabitants direct descendants of immigrants from the German province of Bavaria, and inspired by similar mountainous scenery in the Cascades, they naturally chose a Bavarian-type village as the theme for the town's renovation. With the help of the Community Development Division of the University of Washington, a study project was organized called L.I.F.E. (Leavenworth Improvement For Everyone). Once the plans for an alpine village had

(Clockwise, beginning at top) ***At the Washington State Autumn Leaf Festival held annually in Leavenworth, folk dancers prepare to entertain onlookers in the park. A marching band in Scottish attire is one of the entries in the long and diversified Festival parade. A local restaurant chose a flower of the Bavarian Alps for its name and portrayed it in an attractively crafted sign.***

WHEN YOU GO

Leavenworth marks the beginning of the fall season with its annual ***Washington State Autumn Leaf Festival,*** *September 24 through October 2 in 1988. The Grand Parade on Saturday the 24th, with attractive floats from major cities in the northwest, begins the festivities among the dramatic fall colors of the neighboring forests. Each festival afternoon the crowds are treated to live music played in the park bandstand. Art in the Park (an outdoor art show) exhibits daily during festivals and on weekends from May through October. Other activities include a street dance, hootenanny, flea market, and a used book mart.*

The Christmas Lighting Festival *will be held the first and second Saturdays in December this year, on the 3rd and 10th. Visitors enjoy sleigh rides, Christmas music from the bandstand, a snowman contest, sledding in the park, evening concerts by the Marlin Handbell Ringers, as well as roasted chestnuts and other tempting seasonal foods.*

"The Great Bavarian Ice Fest" *is scheduled for January 14 and 15, 1989. Winter activities and contests for everyone enliven cold days. Leavenworth offers over 30 kilometers of excellent cross-country ski trails, including a 2-kilometer, lighted, night course. For downhill skiing, two major ski areas are within 35 miles of Leavenworth: Stevens Pass and Mission Ridge. Other popular winter activities are snowmobiling, rock climbing, and ice climbing. For winter road conditions, call 509-976-7623.*

Leavenworth welcomes spring with its annual ***Maifest*** *amid colorful blossoms and much oompah music from the bandstand. Center of attention is the Maypole, decked in birch leaves and bright ribbons, and surrounded by dancers in Bavarian costume. Revelers enjoy a volksmarch, a fun run, and a Saturday night street dance. Other spring and summer activities include white-water rafting on the Wenatchee River, a white-water rodeo (kayak competition), children's festival, folk dances, art show, craft fair, bicycling, fishing, and backpacking.*

Daily tours *around Leavenworth and the surrounding scenic area in a double-decker bus are offered by Bavarian Tours Inc. A tour guide gives informative narration. Call 509-782-1669. At the other end of the county,* ***boat excursions*** *are available on Lake Chelan, extending 55 miles into the Cascade Mountains. Write to Lady of the Lake, P.O. Box 186, Chelan, Washington 98816, or telephone 509-682-2224.*

Shopping: *Leavenworth's many shops cater to visitors with fascinating and amusing items from Europe and from local craftsmen.*

Accommodations: *Numerous motels, hotels, and bed and breakfast inns are available in Leavenworth and in Wenatchee, about twenty miles away.*

How to get there: *Leavenworth is on the Wenatchee River, in central Washington, on the eastern slope of the Cascade Mountains. It is on U.S. Highway #2 that runs from Everett southeast to Wenatchee on the Columbia River. Leavenworth is about twenty miles west of Wenatchee.*

For ***information*** *write to Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 327, Leavenworth, Washington 98826. Or call 509-548-5807.*

been discussed and approved, beautification and transformation of existing buildings went forward at a sustained rate. Leavenworth gained national fame by winning the *Look* magazine "All-American City Award" in 1967.

Since then, interest in the town is maintained by year-round festivities organized by the Committee of Tourism. One of its many successes is the Autumn Leaf Festival which now attracts more than 30,000 visitors annually. This is the time of year when a drive through Icicle or Wenatchee River valley is like gliding through a tunnel of blazing colors where aspen, maple, and oak display the change from summer to fall with sun-speckled yellows, brilliant orange, and fierce reds.

From early spring on, Leavenworth becomes a village in full bloom. Balconies, eaves, windowsills, and lamp posts glow with glorious multicolored flowers. Against the background of the stately pine-clad Cascade Mountains, it is a picture of exceptional beauty.

Leavenworth's attractions are not confined to the town itself. Mountaineers will find the nearby eastern Cascade slopes a challenge for all classes, from beginners to professionals. In winter the same areas are a paradise for skiers, offering runs for the tumbling greenhorns as well as for the experts. Nordic ski enthusiasts are attracted by the variety of cross-country runs along trails maintained by the Bavarian Nordic Club. In summer, the diversity of nearby rivers and lakes is much appreciated by fishermen and picnickers alike. At high runoff, the Wenatchee River offers the excitement of white-water rafting and canoeing. A primly manicured golf course and well-maintained tennis courts are available.

Leavenworth has survived severe setbacks after long periods of great prosperity. The active participation of all citizens, their warm hospitality added to the perfect climate, created an alpine jewel in the eastern Cascades. With the pioneering of a Bavarian-style village, this Western town found its true identity.

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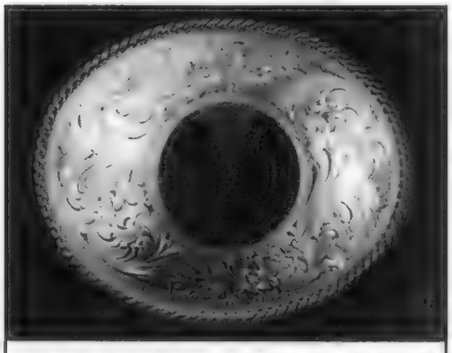

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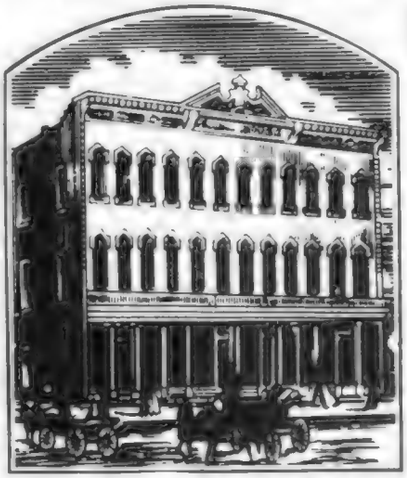

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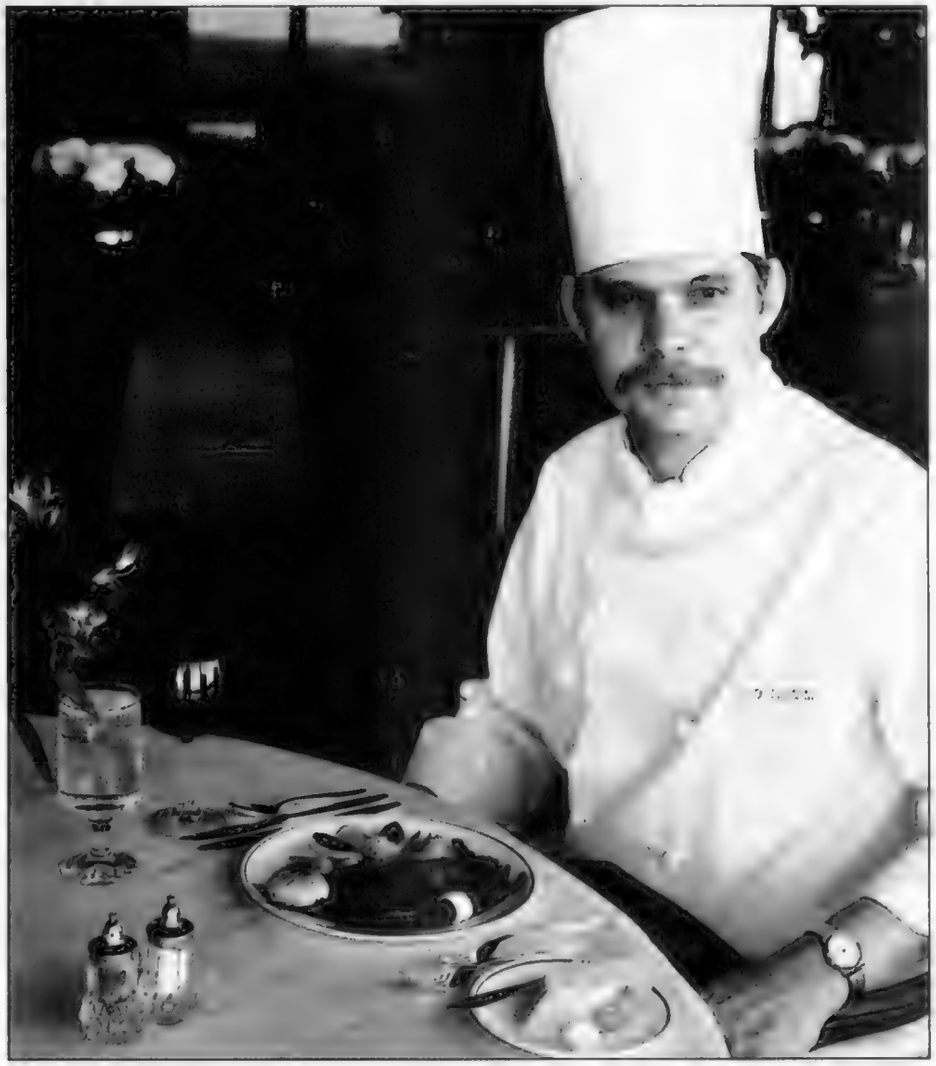

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Wild Game, Fresh Fish Star at Maxine's

Eric Berger, chef at Maxine's Dining Room at the Red Lion Inn in Omaha, Nebraska, learned his culinary skills by working his way up. He has never attended a formal cooking school. A native of Oakland, California, Berger first started as a cook working in his father's restaurant, and later earned his way through California State University at Sacramento by cooking. Today, supervising a kitchen staff of fifty, he has reached the top as the executive chef at Maxine's, where he has served for eleven years. In 1987 he was selected Chef of the Year for Nebraska.

Maxine's, a Mobil three-star, continental-style restaurant, is known for fresh seafood, wild game, and table-side flambés. Decorated with brass ornaments, crystal chandeliers and wall sconces, etched glass and carved wood, the restaurant is on the nineteenth story of the hotel. Many guests visit to savor the excellent views of Omaha and the Missouri River, as well as the gourmet food. People who dine there want something different and unusual, and Berger provides a culinary treat with his fine dishes. The fish is from the East and West coasts; the game is from as far away as New Zealand or as close to Omaha as South Dakota.

Venison is one of Eric Berger's favorite entrées and the recipe on these pages is his own.

Roast Venison in Wild Mushroom Sauce

Two 6 oz. portions of boneless loin of venison
¼ cup Marsala wine
1 tsp. shallots, minced
6 shitaki mushrooms, whole
6 oyster mushrooms, julienne
½ cup heavy cream

The marinade:
1 cup salad oil
1 cup water
¼ cup red wine
1 pinch sage
1 pinch rosemary
1 pinch thyme
1 small onion, diced
½ tsp. salt
½ tsp. pepper

Marinate the boneless venison for two hours. Brown the meat over medium heat in a lightly oiled pan on stove top. Pre-heat oven to 325°. Transfer the venison to a roasting pan and roast 7 to 8 minutes (for medium-rare). Remove from oven and place the meat on a warm plate.

To make the mushroom sauce, add ¼ cup of Marsala wine to the roasting pan and simmer over medium heat for 5 minutes. Add the shallots and mushrooms, and simmer for 3 minutes. Add the cream and simmer for 3 more minutes. Add salt and pepper to taste.

Spoon mushroom sauce over venison and serve.

(Above) *Today, the head of the Portland Canal rests serenely quiet where ghost town Hyder, Alaska, used to be a bustling mining community.*
(Right) *For three-fourths of a century, patrons of the Glacier Inn at Hyder have left folding money attached to the walls of the bar, as a deposit against future drinks. The Canadian one-dollar bill that actress Vanessa Redgrave left a few years ago is in the middle column.*

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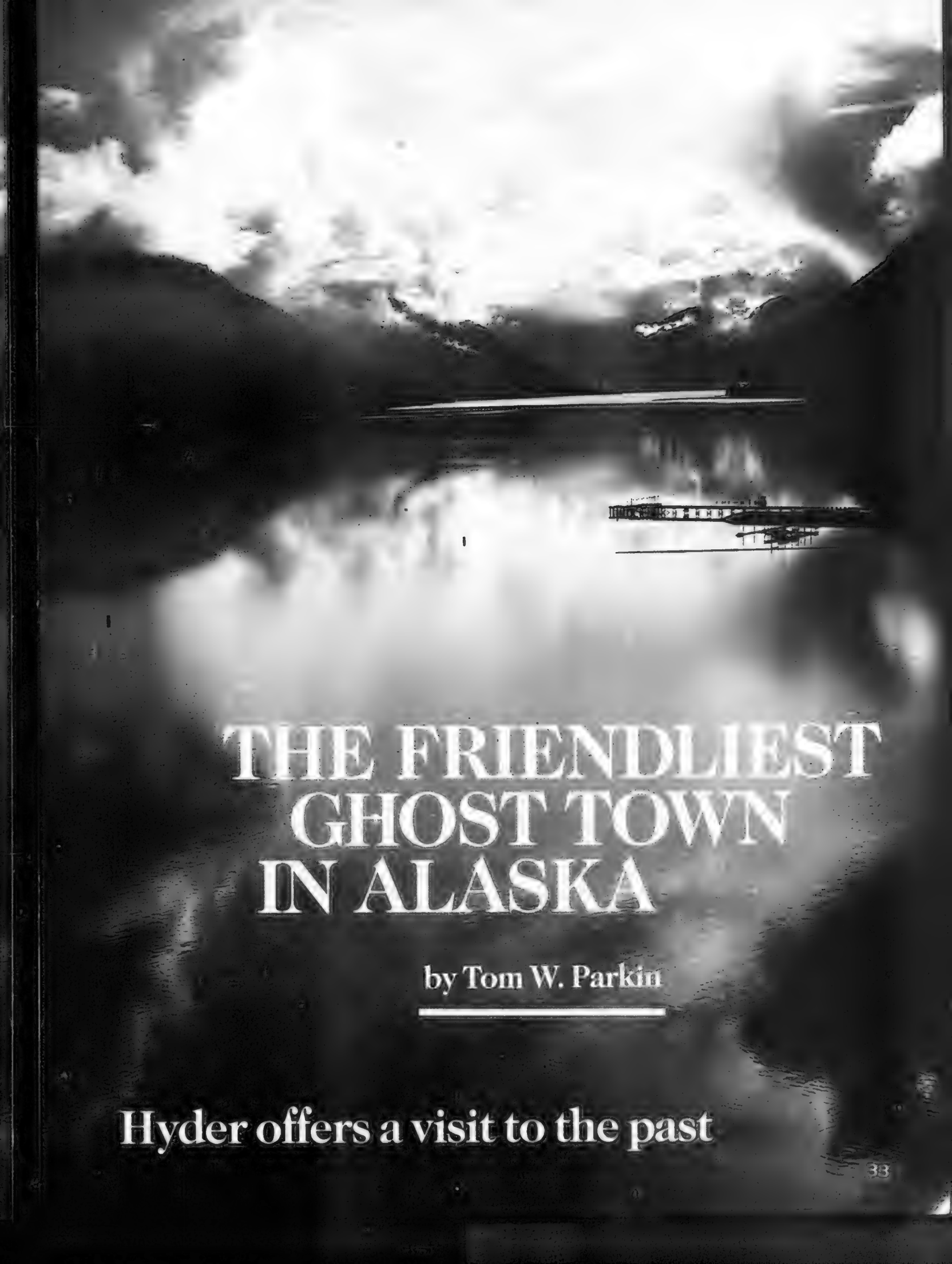


THE FRIENDLIEST GHOST TOWN IN ALASKA

by Tom W. Parkin

Hyder offers a visit to the past

On the way to Hyder in his snug camper, a visitor passes by beautiful, pale-blue Bear Glacier on Highway #37-A.

WHEN YOU GO

To reach Hyder: From southern B.C., drive north to Prince George. Then follow Highway #16 in a northwesterly direction to the junction with the Stewart–Cassiar Highway #37 near Kitwanga, about 300 miles. Turn north on Highway #37. From that point, it's about 150 miles to Hyder-Stewart.

Another scenic way to reach the Stewart–Cassiar Highway is via Queen of the North, *the B.C. ferry that will take you and your auto from Vancouver Island into Prince Rupert. (Cost for auto is $129, plus $62 for each adult. For information and reservations, write to B.C. Ferries, 1045 Howe St., Vancouver, B.C., Canada V6Z 2A9, or telephone 1-604-669-1211.) Then drive the Yellowhead Highway #16 in an easterly direction for approximately 107 miles to the turnoff north on Highway #37, near Kitwanga.*

Kitwanga offers a government campground, gasoline, grocery store, restaurant, telephone, post office, towing, and tourist information.

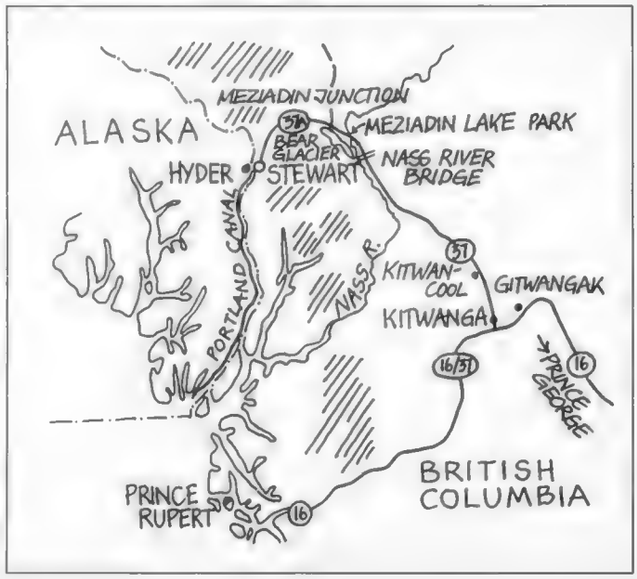
Near Kitwanga, visit the villages of Gitwangak and Kitwancool to marvel at the old totem poles. The oldest standing totem pole in the world, called "Hole-in-the-Ice," is at Kitwancool.

Near the bridge over the Nass River, see the fish ladder used by over 25,000 spawning salmon annually.

At the junction with Highway #37-A (the turnoff to Hyder and Stewart), Meziadin Lake Provincial Park provides campsites, boat launch, and excellent rainbow trout and Dolly Varden fishing. Nearby, a privately owned campground offers campsites, motel, restaurant, telephone, gasoline, bus service, and boat rental.

Accommodations and services in the town of Stewart include a government campground, motel, restaurant, grocery store, gasoline, laundromat, post office, telephone, bus service, scheduled air service, scheduled boat service, hospital, indoor swimming pool, a bank, and a lot of good fishing.

For information, write to Stewart–Hyder Chamber of Commerce, Box 306, Stewart, B.C., Canada V0T 1W0. For information on attractions along the Yellowhead and Stewart–Cassiar Highways, write to North by Northwest Tourism Association of B.C., Box 1030, Smithers, B.C., Canada V0J 2N0. For information on other regions of British Columbia, write to Tourism British Columbia, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C., Canada V8V 1X4.



ON THE DRIVE TO OUR FORTY-NINTH STATE IN the north, vacationers are invited to go by way of "the friendliest ghost town in Alaska" and be Hyderized. Visitors to the ghost town of Hyder, Alaska, undergo this ritual that comes straight from rip-roaring mining days.

During the height of the Klondike gold rush in the spring of 1898, a promoter named Burgess led a party of sixty-eight greenhorns out of Seattle, Washington, with a tale of nugget-bearing streams equal to those of the Yukon. Their ship took them north along the coast of British Columbia and up the one-hundred-mile Portland Canal, which is the southeast border of Alaska. After the ship deposited its human cargo at the head of the Canal (really a fjord) and withdrew, Burgess became less sure of the location of the promised placer deposits. To save his skin he left for Ketchikan — in the group's only boat.

The free gold never materialized, but the marooned group did make enough discoveries to keep prospectors poking about for years afterward. To serve the miners of the area, the little town of Hyder was settled at the northern point of the Canal. Over time, all the significant gold deposits were discovered on the Canadian side just across the border from Hyder, near Stewart, British Columbia. Long gone are the exciting mining days of these two boom towns, but the area offers an interesting and scenic interlude during the drive north.

Hyder is approached by the Stewart–Cassiar Highway#37, an all-paved route from the south that runs along the eastern edge of the Coast Mountains. Not only does the forty-mile detour (#37-A) into Hyder offer a sneak preview of the forty-ninth state for those headed north, but Highway #37 is a shortcut through northwestern British Columbia. It has existed for ten years, but is only now rivaling its Alaska Highway #97 counterpart through the northeastern portion of the province. Measured from their mutual junction at Prince George, B.C., the western alternative is shorter by 186 miles. In addition, it has fewer curves, more pavement, and better scenery.

Highway #37-A cuts west through the Coast Mountains from the main road. This sidestep to Stewart and Hyder climbs to Bear Pass, then plunges down to tidewater. It is continuous neck-kinking scenery. Massive glaciers flow within echo distance of the road, and a dozen others loom over the ridges overhead. Nowhere else in Canada can you drive so close to such prehistoric ice.

First into view is the crystalline cascade of Bear Glacier that crawls down a mountainside to crack off icebergs into a roadside lake. Only ten years ago it ground against the slope where photographers now park their vehicles. A warming climate has caused the glacier's toe to melt back. Several hundred feet above the present highway is a single-lane ruin of a road. Looking like a goat trail, it was once the way one drove into this remote valley. Today the pavement snakes down the narrow valley floor, crossing avalanche slopes, and squeezing through a canyon with the spray of the tumultuous Bear River immediately adjacent.

The surrounding mountains leap to elevations of 4,000 to 6,000 feet. The extensive icefields that cap these summits are the remnants of the last Ice Age. The smothering glaciers hint brightly of their capability of covering everything again. These mountains once held the world's record for a winter's snowfall, which comes down annually on the average of twenty-seven feet. In December 1984 Stewart set the Canadian record for a twenty-four-hour period — 3.4 feet.

SMALL WONDER THAT WINTER SCENES FOR THE movies *The Thing* and *Bear Island* were shot near here. Donald Sutherland and Vanessa Redgrave starred in the latter film in 1978. More recently the *Iceman*, starring Timothy Hutton, was thawed out here in 1982. This landscape obviously reminds men of the primitive and foreboding aspects of their nature.

Always less regulated and less inhibited than its Canadian counterpart, Hyder still offers a frontier lifestyle. As one drives in from B.C., the pavement rumbles out onto a broad gravel street lined with faded wooden false-fronts. The place has seen better days, but Hyder's reputation is still maintained by its bars, which never close.

Inside the Glacier Inn, it takes a few moments for one's eyes to adjust to the dim interior. The brightening scene is remarkable. The walls are high, and they're papered from table level to ceiling with money — genuine folding bills, an estimated $25,000 worth. Most are ones and twos, but there are many foreign currencies scattered among them. Vanessa Redgrave's is stapled to the entrance wall. Each is marked with the owner's name and the date it was left. The tradition was supposedly started by a miner who was in the habit of blowing his paycheck soon after arriving in town. The reserve fund on the wall assured him a drink when he arrived broke on the next visit. The practice has been repeated by thousands of customers since.

The bartender will eventually ask whether you've been Hyderized. This is another well-known northwest ritual. The initiate is given a shot glass of 190-proof, grain alcohol known as snakebite. If it doesn't kill the patient, this antidote could certainly cure a rattler's poison. It burns blue if ignited and feels as though it does the same down your throat. If you sneeze, spray, or pray during this rigorous test, you must buy a round for the house. If you pass, you're given a tall glass of water for a chaser and issued a certificate.

These remainders of its wild past are the only commerce that Hyder generates nowadays. Its population has shrunk from thousands to seventy-seven. Since the mines closed, only curious tourists keep its businesses solvent — its bars, gift shops, and cafes. For anyone wanting to explore this mining heritage, Stewart's 1910 Fire Hall provides visitor information. It also has many artifacts from the mines and the movies. Bus tours are available that travel a rugged backroad to look at old mine sites and former film locations. It is easy to imagine hardy prospectors out on those glaciers searching for an elusive mother lode. In this forgotten corner of Alaska the ghosts of our mining heritage live on.

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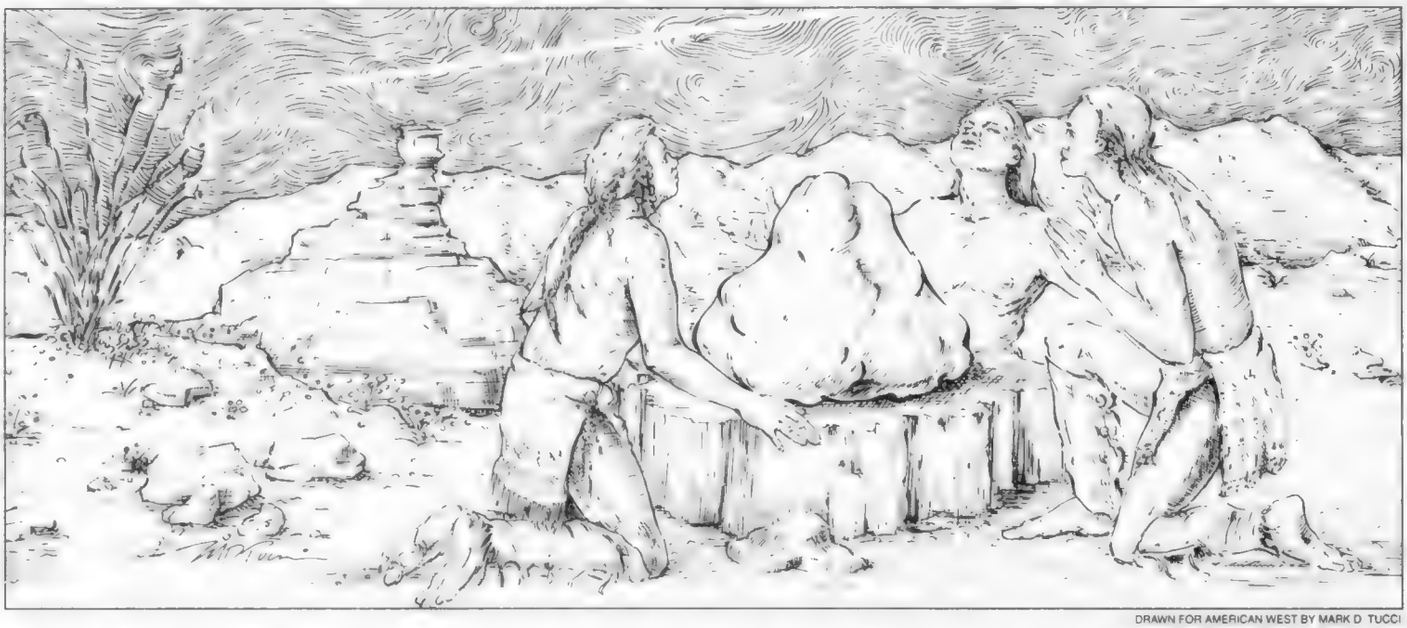

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The Strange Saga of "The Texas Iron"

by Mike Blakely

The Wichita Indians owned it and wanted desperately to believe it possessed magical powers of healing. American traders wanted it and dreamed it would make them rich beyond imagination. Spain claimed the soil it rested on and defied any American to trespass. It was called "Texas Iron," and it would cause nothing but trouble for all who worked hardest to possess it.

In 1808 trader Anthony Glass came to the Tayovaya villages on the Red River. At that time several hundred Wichitas lived at Tayovaya, near present Spanish Fort, Texas, east of Wichita Falls. Texas was Spanish territory then, but a few daring American traders occasionally risked the enmity of hostile Indians and Spanish cavalry to trade with friendly tribes such as the Wichitas.

Glass' trading and hunting party was after mustangs, buffalo hides, and honey. While he and his men camped at Tayovaya, the Indians told them legends of an ancient Wichita "medicine rock" situated on a sacred site somewhere to the southwest. The Indians seemed to indicate that the medicine rock had the properties of some kind of metal. This information excited Glass' imagination, as he had heard rumors of mineral riches in Texas. Hoping to find silver or platinum, Glass persuaded the Indians to take him to the revered rock.

As winter came on, the Wichitas led Glass and his men southwest from the Red River. They crossed the Brazos and soon arrived at the medicine rock, somewhere east of present Albany, Texas. Glass found an odd mass of metal, roughly cone shaped, forty inches across its base and two feet high. He learned that the Indians attributed magical powers of healing to the medicine rock. The Wichitas demonstrated how they could strike the object and make it ring like a bell.

"It was obedient to the magnet," Glass wrote in his journal, "very malleable, would take a brilliant polish and give fire with a flint. I had some small scales cut off and left it."

When Glass returned to Natchitoches, Louisiana, the next year, his slivers of metal spawned fervent interest. Local blacksmiths tested the samples and declared the composition a mystery. For lack of a more accurate term, they called the mineral Texas Iron. No one knew exactly what it was, but almost everyone wishfully agreed that it must be worth a fortune.

Though Anthony Glass had seen the giant nugget with his own eyes, he didn't let blind greed determine his fate. He seemed to have enjoyed enough of the wilderness life, and he never returned for the mineral mass. But the men of Glass' party formed two rival expeditions to retrieve it.

One party assembled in Natchitoches with intentions of traveling to Tayovaya and bartering with the Wichitas for the rock. The other party hastily left from Natchez, Mississippi, and figured on simply taking the mysterious rock without asking anyone. Both expeditions set out in June 1809, and the race was on for the Texas Iron.

The treasure hunters from Natchez headed straight for the sacred place near the Brazos and got to the Wichita medicine rock first. When they reached the bulky cone of metal, they realized that they had failed to plan a means of transporting it back to Louisiana. Since it was too heavy to pack on horseback, their only alternative was to hide the rock. They rolled it away, buried it under a nearby boulder, and headed back to Louisiana to get a wagon.

Meanwhile, at Tayovaya the Natchitoches expedition had convinced the Indians to swap

rifles and blankets for the healing stone. The healing stone was a sacred object to the Wichitas, but they had lost faith in it since epidemics of smallpox and other European diseases had wiped out great numbers of tribesmen. The Indians took the rifles and blankets and led the Natchitoches boys with their wagon to the medicine rock.

The absence of the Texas Iron from its usual spot surprised the Natchitoches men and the Wichitas. Upon investigation, though, they figured out what had happened. After a two-day search, they found the healing stone under the boulder where the Natchez men had hidden it.

The traders from Natchitoches used saplings as levers to hoist the metallic cone into their wagon. They figured it weighed about a ton. On the way back to the Red River, someone (probably Comanches) stole their horses. The traders had to leave the treasure wagon and walk to Tayovaya to trade more guns for more horses. Even with horses, the progress of the wagon was slow, as there were no roads.

By this time Spanish authorities in San Antonio had heard about the Texas Iron expeditions and had sent fifty-two horse soldiers to capture them. But the Americans somehow managed to avoid a clash with the superior Spanish force.

Arriving safely at Tayovaya, the Texas Iron owners carved a large dugout canoe from the trunk of a black walnut tree and waited for the Red River to rise. When the spring rains sufficiently deepened the river, they used the dugout to float their strange chunk of metal downstream, arriving at Natchitoches on June 4, 1810 — about a year after starting out.

Any one of the successful Texas Iron hunters could have sold his interest in the mass of unknown mineral for a small fortune, but each refused. The Texas Iron remained in town for almost a year. After the local blacksmiths had tested more slivers of it and everyone in town had rung it like a bell, the traders finally shipped their treasure to New York City to have it assayed.

Almost another year went by before word came back from New York. The reply wasn't worth the wait. The New York experts who had examined the giant nugget of Texas Iron claimed it was 1,635 pounds of extraterrestrial, iron-nickel alloy. A meteorite — the largest one ever found at that time. It represented great value to science, but monetarily it wasn't worth the freight spent to ship it to New York.

In 1812 not even all scientists accepted the theory that meteorites came from beyond this world. The frontiersmen in Natchitoches refused even to consider the wild stories about rocks from outer space. They figured they had been cheated out of their fortune by some swindler in New York. Most of them gave up treasure hunting and went back to hunting deer, buffalo, wild horses, and honey.

The Texas Iron fiasco should have put an end to the stories of treasure in Texas, but it didn't. For a couple of hundred years European and American explorers had believed rumors of great ore deposits and precious metals lying around on the ground somewhere inland. No one knows how the rumors got started, but one theory suggests that the countless yarns of lost treasure, abandoned silver mines, and cities of gold, the numerous tall tales of fabulous, shining riches, and all the fervid dreams of material wealth waiting in Texas stemmed from exaggerated Indian accounts of none other than the sacred Wichita healing stone — the Texas Iron. A worthless meteorite.

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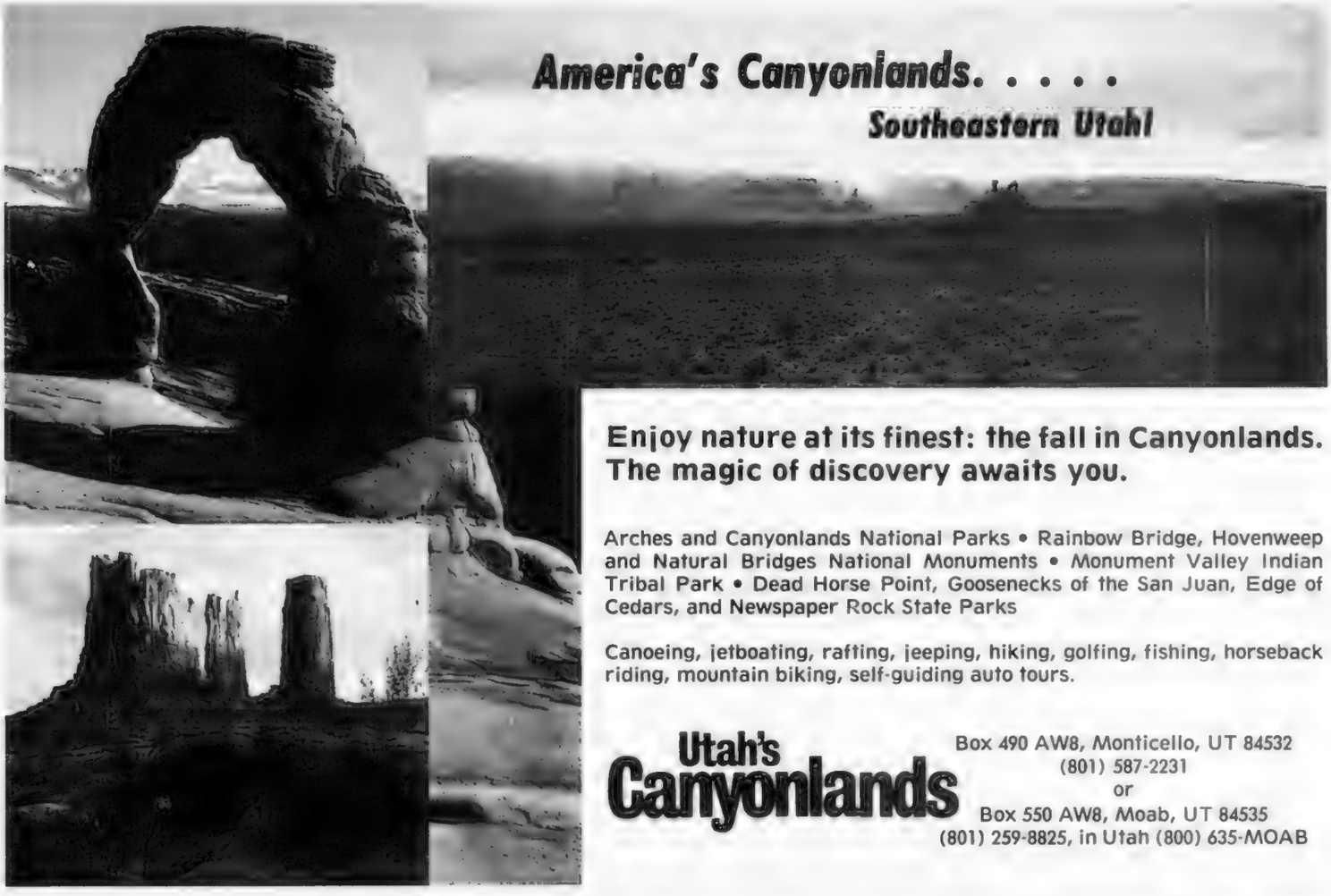
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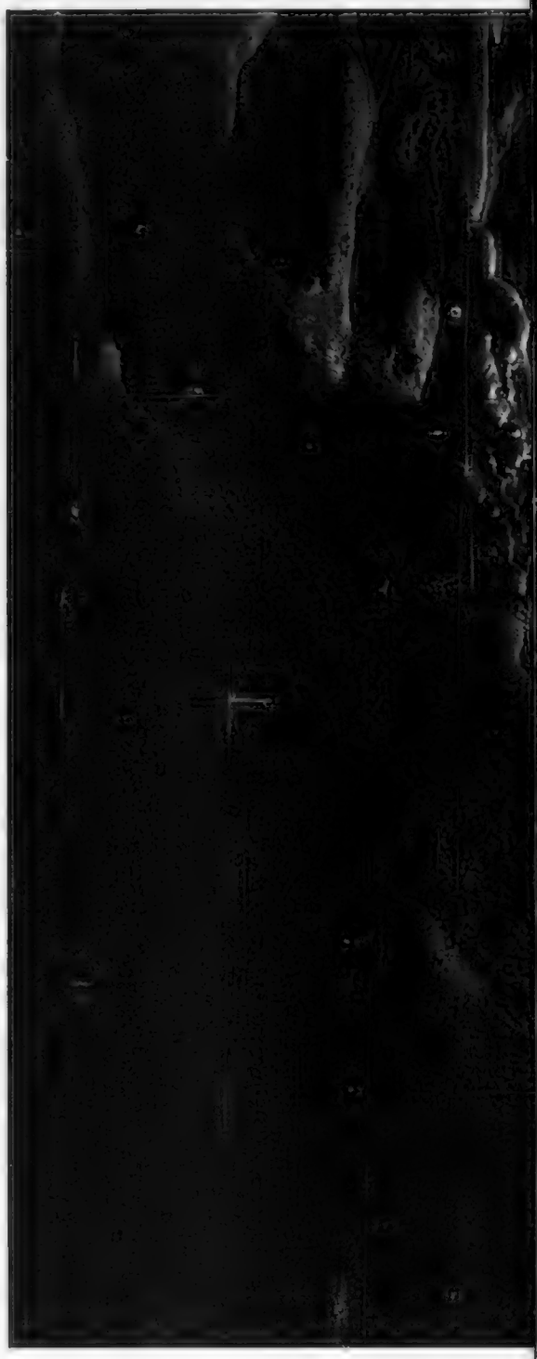
THE SECRET OF KARTCHNER CAVERNS

Dramatic find is saved for all

by Lawrence W. Cheek



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FOR MOST OF THEIR ADULT LIVES, Randy Tufts and Gary Tenen have been caring secretly for a baby more than two miles long and Lord knows how many millions of years old. A *baby?* The metaphor appears again and again in a conversation with Tufts and Tenen, who discovered Arizona's largest known cave in 1974 and didn't make the news public until 1988. "The cave is defenseless," explains Tufts. "It can't speak for itself. It can't make decisions for itself. It's like a child that's forever two years old. It has to have people who will love it, who will protect it, who will argue on its behalf."

Kartchner Caverns, fifty miles southeast of Tucson, will be one of Arizona's most spectacular attractions when it opens to the public as a state park, probably in 1992. It's dazzling. One of its rooms could swallow a football field. There are calcium carbonate drapes that look like thin-sliced bacon or billowing waves of translucent Chinese noodles. Some of the stalactites are several feet long and yet thin as a pencil. Tufts believes it is the most pristine cave in the country. And the way he and Tenen have worked to keep it that way is as unusual as the cave itself.

Tenen owns a quick-print franchise in Tucson, and Tufts has worked around the country organizing neighborhood revitalization projects. Both men, now in their late thirties, have been avid cavers for most of their lives. "When I was a freshman at the University of

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(Opposite) ***In a recent photo taken in Kartchner Caverns, Randy Tufts admires a large flowstone formation festooned with an extravagance of stalactites and stalagmites.*** **(Above)** ***This extraordinary photo was taken soon after the Caverns were discovered in 1974. A brilliant, translucent calcite curtain (only one-eighth inch thick), commonly called "bacon," stretches across the area. In the shadow at the lower right, Tufts sits behind the curtain. One can see his shoulders, arms, and hands.***

Arizona," recalls Tufts, "my idea of a good time was going to the library on Saturday afternoons and scanning dissertations about Arizona geology for mentions of limestone. Then I'd go out with a topo map to areas that seemed like good prospects for caves to see if I could find anything."

On one of these prospecting trips in 1967, Tufts and a few friends almost stumbled into Kartchner Caverns. They found the entrance, but it was small, and it didn't look as though it went anywhere. Tufts forgot about it. Then one day in 1974, he and Tenen were prowling the same area, and Tufts showed his friend the hole. They tossed in a rock, testing for rattlesnakes, then slithered through the opening themselves.

"Imagine a passage about ten by twenty-four inches, surrounded by boulders that weren't quite nested together," says Tenen. "Our legs were out at one angle and our bodies at another, and we squirmed about twenty feet while the boulders wobbled around us. I guess there's a period in your life when you're young, that you have no fear."

The passageway opened into one room, then another — "nice, but not spectacular," says Tenen. They were dry and dusty, typical of Arizona caves. Then they found another crawlway, and at its end was a small hole. Moist air was squirting through it.

"We took out a hammer and chisel and chiseled through rock for a couple of hours, with Randy and me switching off when our

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arms got tired. Then we scraped through the enlarged hole, and with every step we took, the fantasy unfolded. The dream of every caver was coming true. The third room was better than the first two, and it was wet."

They explored about 500 feet of the cave that first day, so enraptured that they were ignoring caving's prime rule. "Suddenly we realized that nobody knew where we were," says Tenen. "In an unexplored cave you can get lost, or you can step on a floor that's nothing but a crust with a pit below it. . . ."

ENOUGH THRILLS FOR ONE DAY. They squeezed out, then returned every weekend for six months, systematically exploring the cave. They found no sign that any human had ever preceded them. That had a lot to do with the reason they began to feel like parents.

Tenen pulls out photos of another cave near Tucson, and his voice darkens in disgust. "In its pristine state, very likely this was as beautiful as Kartchner Caverns." Since then, "FRANKIE" and "DANNY" have autographed the walls with spray paint. The local cavers' club has hauled out carloads of trash, repeatedly. Today the cave is as pristine as a Bronx subway.

Tufts and Tenen told only three trusted friends about their discovery. A removable concrete plug corked the entrance. The cave fathers traced the land ownership to the J. A. Kartchner family and quietly investigated them. Four years later, convinced that the Kartchners — an extended Mormon family — would be good stewards, they made a call and told them about the cave.

"J. A. Kartchner was pretty geologically astute himself," says Tenen. "When we told him there was a cave on his property, he guessed right away where it was, but he didn't have any idea what it was like. A few months later we took him and some of his sons through the cave, and they were astounded. In the first and second rooms he was snapping away like crazy with his camera, and we had to say, 'Wait, don't use all your film! You haven't seen anything yet.'"

What Tufts and Tenen had feared was an owner who would exploit the cave, someone who would slice stalactites into souvenir ashtrays. That's happened to some caves. But the Kartchners saw themselves as trustees of

(Opposite) ***Gary Tenen stands by a massive wall covered with stalactites. The red flagging at lower left marks the trail for Tenen and Tufts so that their walks through the Caverns do not wander from one path — a measure to help preserve the pristine condition of the caves.*** **(Left)** ***This decorative formation shows two different mineral forms of the same chemical. Delicate aragonite crystals encrust the ends of stalactites, usually indicating the presence of a large cave.*** **(Below)** ***Randy Tufts pauses to examine a broomstick stalagmite.***

BOTH PHOTOS BY GARY TENEN

an environmental treasure.

"Anything the family had to do to protect the cave, they were willing to do — including selling it," says Tenen.

Tufts and Tenen prepared a detailed proposal for the Kartchners to develop and operate the cave as a private park. The family considered it for two years and finally decided they didn't have the resources. Then Tufts and Tenen began working on plans to move the cave into federal or state hands. Finally, this year, they made a deal: the Arizona State Parks Board will buy the cave for $1.55 million.

The Parks Board seems no less determined to care for the baby. Before they install a single light or trail, they're going to spend at least a year studying the science of this cave.

"It's a live cave, and we need to make sure we know *exactly* what keeps it alive," says Parks Board executive director Ken Travous. "We need to understand the geology, where the water comes from, its climate and microclimates. I like to use this analogy: When we go in, we're like a virus invading a living organism, and we need to be certain we don't do irreparable damage to that organism."

Proud parents Tufts and Tenen clearly are pumped up about the state park; they say it will be a state-of-the-art cave development, one that protects the living cave with airlock doors and sensitively placed trails even as it offers visitors a spectacular tour. Yet, talk with them long enough, and you also sense regret that it has to be "developed" at all. It's like caging an animal: inevitably, its wild character is lost forever.

"The entrance is close enough to a major highway that you can hear the cars; so we knew early on that the cave was in trouble," says Tenen. "We made a choice between controlled change of its environment and the probability of uncontrolled, haphazard, and probably spiraling destruction. If one factor had been different — if it had been hidden deep in the mountains, or if it had a thousand-foot rappel to get into it — it would still have a concrete plug in it, and we'd still be keeping it secret."

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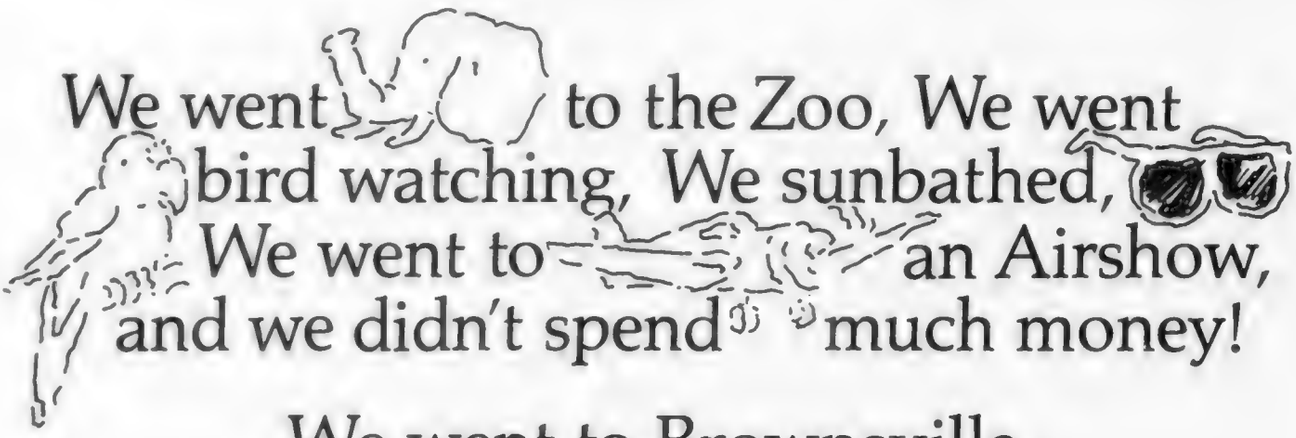

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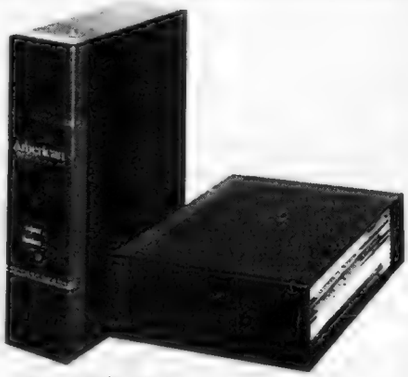

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Time of the Elk

by Erwin and Peggy Bauer

Soon after daybreak on a late summer morning, along a trail that skirted Gibbon Meadow in Yellowstone National Park, we came suddenly upon a strange spectacle. A bull elk, with strands of loose, dark velvet hanging from reddened antlers, stood slashing savagely a small lodgepole pine. The bark had been shredded to the green pulpwood underneath. At intervals the agitated animal would pause in its one-sided duel to raise its muzzle and bugle. In the northern Rocky Mountains no natural sound is more *un*natural or more haunting than this calliope call of a male elk. Other elk might hear it as far as a mile away.

There was nothing unusual about this behavior. At the end of the summer we were watching the first signs of the rut, the annual breeding season. The time of the elk would soon be fully underway.

That is one reason we always try to spend a part of early autumn in our first national park. By then most of the tourists have retreated homeward, the weather is cool and crisp, and we have the campgrounds almost to ourselves once more. Yellowstone is never more glorious than when the first quaking aspens have yellowed, when the high meadow grasses have cured to golden again. That is also when the park's 20,000 or so elk are most active and most exciting to see.

What happens can be very dramatic. A phenomenon called photoperiodism triggers hormonal changes in the species. Bulls that have been living bachelor lives all summer are now aroused and begin to collect harems of cows, the larger the harem the better. That means almost constant challenging, bluffing, and fighting among the males to establish dominance. The necks of bulls become swollen, and the animals are red-eyed and angry. Some of the antler-to-antler fighting is fast and furious. Occasionally this rutting season is brief, but in some years the action continues until October and beyond. In the entire American West there is no wildlife show that matches it exactly.

The time of the elk is an especially lively event to photograph and a rare chance to watch one of our largest native mammals at close range. In Yellowstone elk long ago became accustomed to people aiming cameras at them throughout the year; in early fall they pay even less attention.

To shoot the rut we use telephoto lenses of at least 300mm (or 6X magnification) on our 35mm single lens reflex cameras with motor drives, although a 200mm lens often would be adequate. There simply is no need to approach too close to the agitated animals. Nor

is it wise, since a typical harem bull is agile afoot despite weighing 600 pounds or more and carries a lethal, many-pointed weapon on its head. Keeping a safe distance also makes sense for picture composition; a cameraman is much better able to follow the action and to consider the background when he is not right on top of it.

When stalking wildlife, some professional photographers hand-hold their cameras with 300mm and even longer telephoto lenses to achieve satisfactory results. Others use monopods or gunstock mounts for added steadiness when focusing on a bull that is trying to drive a rival away from its harem. Our preference is for a firm, fairly heavy tripod with a smooth ball-type head. The weight, bulk, and inconvenience of frequently moving it is a disadvantage, but its solid base allows us to concentrate more on the all-important action, while maintaining an absolutely sharp focus.

Today's new autofocus cameras and lenses make shooting the heyday of the elk (and other wildlife activity as well) less complicated, *if* the animals remain mostly out in the open — in a woodland clearing, for example. But if the action takes place in the woods where trees and brush separate the photographer from his subject, they do not perform well. The sharp focus will be on foreground objects rather than on the primary target.

Newer, faster color slide film has made photography a lot easier, especially when the weather turns poor, or very early or late in the day when the elk are busiest. Kodachrome 200 (ASA-ISO) is now widely available and we use that when the sunlight fades instead of our favorite Kodachrome 64. There is really little difference in graininess or color quality between the two.

Although certainly the best, Yellowstone is not the only national park where a wandering photographer can focus on the autumn elk rut. Others are Redwood, California; Olympic, Washington; Glacier, Montana; Rocky Mountain, Colorado; Banff and Jasper, Alberta; Yoho and Kootenay, British Columbia. Other places are the National Bison Range, Montana; Sullys Hill National Wildlife Refuge, North Dakota; and Wichita Mountains National Wildlife Refuge, Oklahoma.

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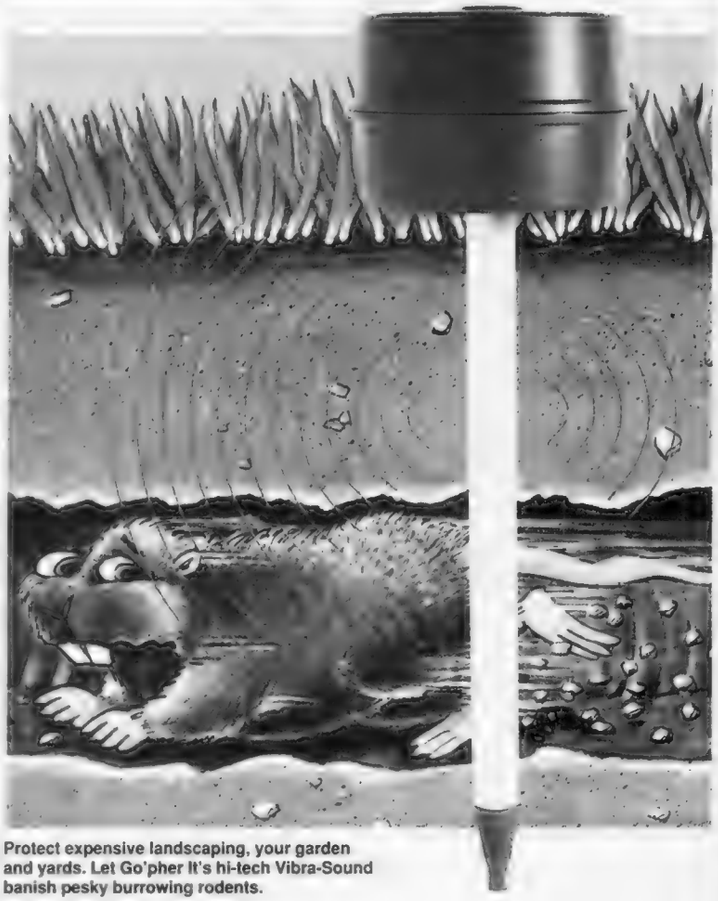

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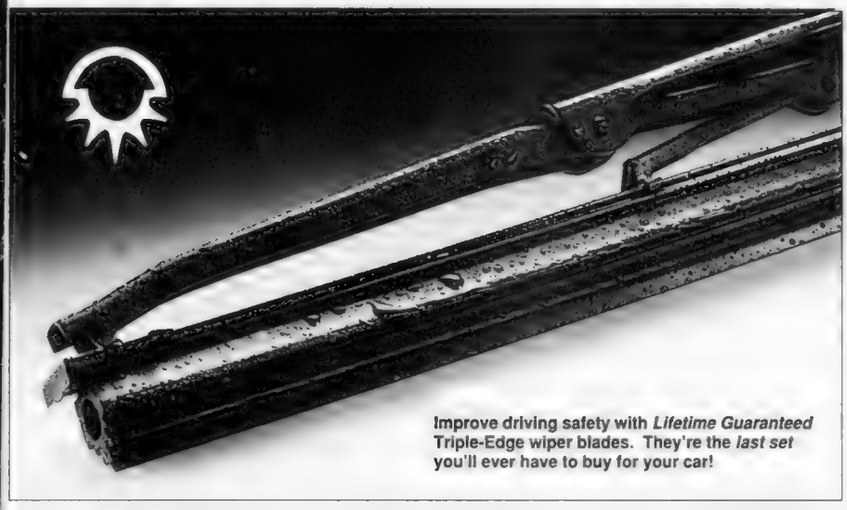

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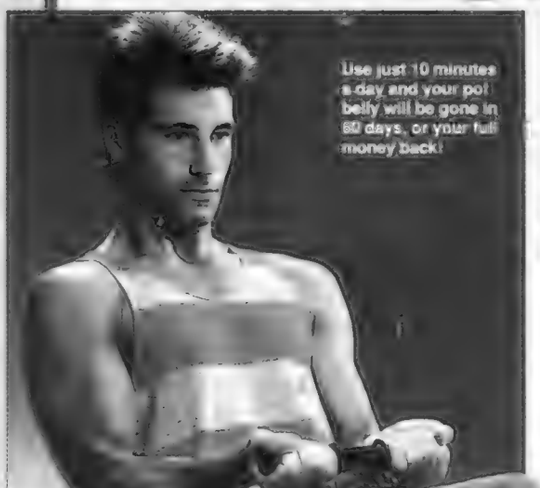
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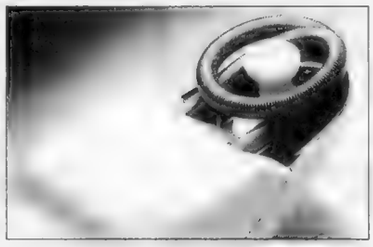

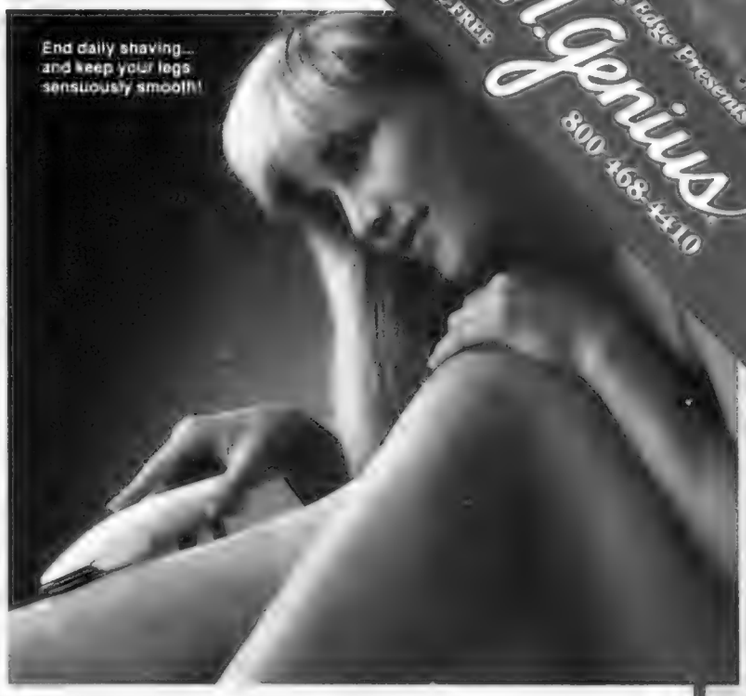

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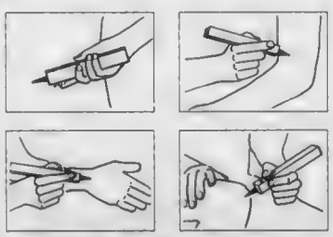

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Alaskan Symbols Inspire Glen Simpson's Jewelry

Alaskan jewelry artist Glen Simpson crafts his work to reflect an interest in Alaskan tribal symbols and folklore. He values an ancestry that includes Athabascan Indians from northern Canada, Sir George Simpson of the Hudson's Bay Company, arctic explorer Thomas Simpson, as well as Scottish, Irish, and English traders, trappers, and gold miners.

Born in the gold mining town of Atlin, British Columbia, Glen Simpson spent his early years in the Yukon where his family operated one of the first roadhouses on the Alaskan Highway. With no school nearby, Simpson went away to boarding school where he first began to work with metals and wood.

Later, during his senior year at the University of Alaska, Simpson visited a metalworking class in the art department that revived his earlier interest. Though nearly finished with course work for a degree in anthropology, Simpson decided to begin over again, entering the School for American Craftsmen at the Rochester Institute of Technology in New York State. Receiving a B.F.A. and then an M.F.A. in metals, Simpson returned to teach at the University of Alaska where he now heads the art department, while maintaining his own studio as a working artist.

Using his leisure time for hiking and kayaking trips into Alaskan and Yukon wilderness areas, often with wife Melissa, Simpson studies the artifacts left behind by early inhabitants. He sees culture as a continuum: "What I have to express respects and builds on the past but is not limited by it."

Many of Simpson's jewelry pieces are designed in silver, with gold used for details and color contrast. The artist also likes to use native materials like ivory, bone, and antlers for their warmth and individuality and because they relate to the regional quality of his designs. Using such organic materials allows him to shape jewelry pieces with hand tools, which he feels gives each a special individual identity.

Drawing upon Eskimo mythology, symbolism, and animal lore, and the commerce of early traders, Simpson designed these stunning sterling silver earrings. The pierced and thumbless hands of spirit keepers are a powerful symbol of the connection between the spiritual world and the physical world in Bering Sea Eskimo tribal culture. Richly colored, Venetian glass trading beads, like those used by early trappers and traders to barter with native tribes, adorn the center hole, which is rimmed in 14K gold.

Glen Simpson's jewelry can be seen in the Crafts Today Exhibition Tour (American Craft Museum of New York) showing at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, Virginia, Aug. 9–Oct. 2, 1988. Simpson's mailing address is P.O. Box 80212, Fairbanks, Alaska 99708.

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Dramatic and bold, the black v-neck top and wrap-around skirt of sueded cowhide, accented with silver-tone beads and concho and feather details, produce a sophisticated and glamorous impression for more formal occasions (top, $100; skirt, $125). Larry Mahan's all-leather black boots with two-inch fashion heels and fancy stitching complement the ensemble ($200).

Split cowhide in rich burgundy creates a simple, yet elegant look in a buttoned vest and fringe-hemmed skirt ($80 each piece). The addition of gray suede boots accented with colorful decorative stitching (Larry Mahan, $160) completes the striking attire for yuletide gatherings.

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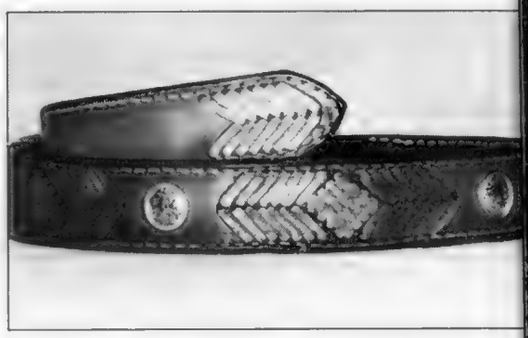

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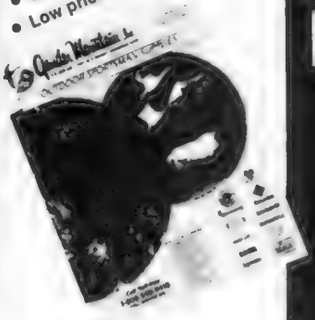

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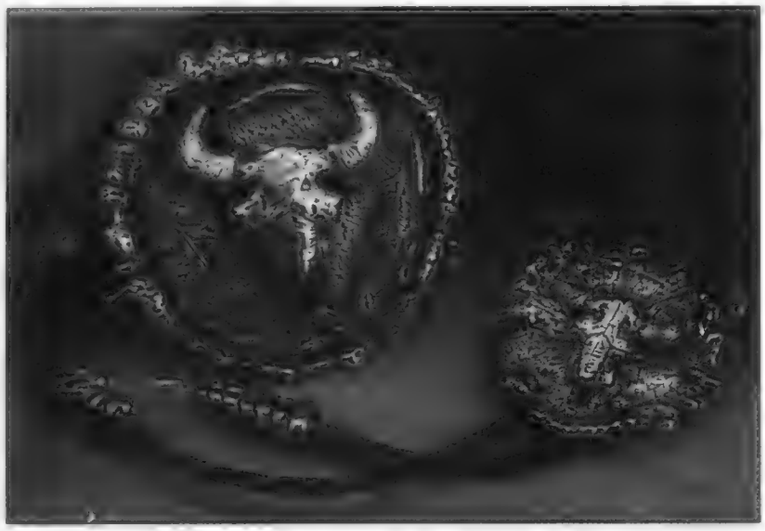

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TRAVEL CALENDAR

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ALASKA

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Quiana, Alaska

Oct. 19: Fairbanks. The six native tribes of Alaska say "Quiana" (thank you) to the people of Alaska with their performance of tribal dances during this special cultural evening. The event is sponsored by the Alaskan Federation of Natives and takes place during their annual convention. (907) 274-3611

Bachelor's Society Ball

Dec. 2–4: Talkeetna. Single men come into town once a year to whoop it up with curious city folk before being auctioned off at the ball on Saturday evening. Hardy women also show up to compete in the Wilderness Woman Contest hauling water, mushing dogs, and building fires for the grand prize of a trip to Hawaii. Call Pam Rennals at (907) 733-2423

Polar Bear Jump

Jan. 20–21: Seward. A bearded ballerina in a tutu was a past winner of the main event — contestants in costume jump into Resurrection Bay (water temperature in the 30s). The winner is the best-costumed contestant who actually jumps. Spectators may also enjoy a morning pancake feed, parade with drill teams, sled-dog races, a dance, and a chili supper. (907) 224-8051

Cordova Iceworm Festival

Feb. 3–5: Cordova. Cordovans break up the long winter with a celebration honoring the one-inch-long iceworm that lives in glaciers found nearby. A much larger version of the creature appears in the parade. Survival-suit races, carnival games, art and photography exhibits, and international food booths are part of the activities. (907) 424-7260

Nenana Tripod Raising

Feb. 25–26: Nenana. The exact minute, hour, day, and month of the ice breackup on the Tanana River is identified by the fall of the giant tripod erected on the ice at this winter weekend festival. The winner(s) of the lottery won't be known until spring thaw but it's worth the wait — last year's purse was $155,000. Visitors may also enjoy contests for banana eating, bubble-gum-blowing, tea boiling, snowshoeing, and a dog weight-pull. (907) 832-5446

ARIZONA

Arizona Office of Tourism
1100 West Washington
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Mexican Fiesta Celebration

Sep. 17: Williams. Colorful decorations and mariachi music are the backdrop for the festivities as the people of Williams preserve a part of their heritage with a Mexican dinner, the crowning of a queen and little princess, and a dance. Monies raised fund a college scholarship program. (602) 635-2041

Butterfield Overland Stage Days

Oct. 7–9: Benson. Step up to a breakfast of hot biscuits and gravy cooked over an open fire in this town on the original Butterfield stageline. Before the shindig is over, visitors can enjoy a parade, stagecoach rides, an 1880s costume ball, square dancing and musical entertainment, a living history presentation by mountain men and Buffalo Soldiers, roping events, and arts and crafts. (602) 586-2842 or 586-2126

Havasu Classic

Nov. 25–27: Lake Havasu City. Aussie boat racers would feel right at home on this boomerang-shaped course where nearly 100 racers will compete in the fastest outboard boats on water. Last year's prize money totaled over $40,000 in Tunnel Boat, Mod VP, and Mini-boat classes. (602) 453-3444

Christmas Apple Festival

Dec. 1–3: Willcox. Cookbook collectors and apple fanciers are encouraged to attend the festivities as this agricultural community celebrates the holidays. Last year's winning recipe in the apple cooking contest was mi-

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Gold Rush Days
Feb. 10–12: Wickenburg. Don't get in the way of the "Goldshirt Gang" as they ride into town to kidnap the schoolmarm. Gold panning, shootouts, melodramas, and a rodeo also help bring the Old West to life. The third largest parade in the state, a carnival, arts and crafts, BBQ, and a dance top off the weekend's activities. (602) 684-5479

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VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS AT MIRAMONT CASTLE

ARKANSAS

Department of Parks and Tourism
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Little Rock, Arkansas 72201
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Beanfest and Great Arkansas Championship Outhouse Race
Oct. 22: Mountain View. As many as 15,000 tourists gather for this annual party to eat free pinto beans and corn bread, listen to folk music, and watch outhouse races. Local businesses sponsor contestants who dress up in wacky costumes and pilot privies on wheels around the courthouse square. A gold-plated toilet seat goes to the winner. (501) 269-8098

Halloween Carnival
Oct. 31: Booneville. Every club and organization in town gets involved in the Halloween fun. Costumed children vie for cash prizes for the best disguises as they parade down the main street. Carnival games, concession booths, and entertainment at the National Guard Armory come after the parade. (501) 675-2666

Eureka Springs Preservation Society Christmas Historic Tour
Dec. 3: Eureka Springs. Beautifully restored turn-of-the-century houses will be decorated for Christmas and presented to visitors by townspeople dressed in Victorian costumes. Other attractions include art and handcrafted items on sale, theater and musical presentations, and a live nativity scene. (501) 253-8737

Burns Nicht
Feb. 3, 1989: Batesville. Toast the haggis at an evening of Scottish gaiety honoring poet Robert Burns, which includes a traditional Scottish dinner and a presentation about the beloved poet. Bagpipe music and the singing of Burns' folk songs make up the entertainment. Arkansas College is host for the annual event. (501) 793-9813

CALIFORNIA

California Office of Tourism
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Renaissance Pleasure Faire
Aug.–Sep., weekends: Novato. Sponsored by the Living History Center, historical reenactments are set in sixteenth-century Elizabethan England, and the public is encouraged to dress up and take part in the fun. All the food and drink, crafts demonstrations, and games of skill are from the period, as are the costumed participants — craftsmen, palmists, tarot-card readers, jesters, and jugglers. (415) 892-0937

Johnny Appleseed Day
Oct. 1: Paradise. People from all over converge on Paradise for wholesome family fun and to pay homage to the apple. The day starts with a pancake breakfast, followed by an apple-recipe contest and apple-pie social, followed by games for kids, arts and crafts booths, and local artists' exhibits. (916) 887-9356

Sutter Creek Open House and Currier and Ives Christmas
Dec. 2: Sutter Creek. Enjoy Christmas cheer in a turn-of-the-century atmosphere. The local merchants lavishly decorate their stores and stay open in the evening for socializing and refreshments. Musicians and carolers stroll Sutter Creek's streets, which are dressed up to look like a Currier and Ives print. (209) 223-0350

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Dec. 31–Jan. 1, 1989: Long Beach. Ring in the new year with about 10,000 other revelers. Billed as the "biggest party on earth," the fete on the *Queen Mary* and at the Spuce Goose Dome features seven separate parties and bands (from Latin Salsa to a Big Band orchestra). The ship has fifty-two bars and five full-service restaurants to handle the crowd. Happy New Year. (213) 435-3511

California Farm Equipment Show and International Exposition
Feb. 14–16: Tulare. More than 100,000 visitors from the U.S. and abroad descend on the Tulare County International Agri-Center for the greatest display of farm machinery to be found anywhere. Everything related to the farming lifestyle — from tractors and computers to pesticides and home art-and-craft supplies — is displayed by over 800 dealers. (209) 688-1751

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World Sheepdog Championships
Sep. 15–18: Meeker. Border collies are frequent winners of this event. The dogs' task is to herd three sheep through an obstacle course. Judging is based on each dog's herding ability and response to his handler. Last year's purse was $15,000. A BBQ, craft fair, and dance round out the activities at this fascinating event. (303) 878-5510

Doc Holliday Poker Party and Dance
Nov. 12: Glenwood Springs. Doc's final resting place, Glenwood Springs, throws a party in his honor. A local "Doc H" is carried in an old-fashioned wagon from the gravesite to a saloon for a "re-wake." The poker games are open to the public, and prizes are awarded — need a free mustache trim? (303) 945-6589

Victorian Christmas
Nov. 25–Dec. 18, weekends: Miramont Castle, Manitou Springs. The ghost of Christmases past may live in this 46-room manor house built in 1895 and decked out for a vintage holiday season. The castle includes elaborate woodwork, hidden rooms, and many period furnishings. Daily tours of the decorated rooms offer concerts by music groups and freshly baked cookies and hot cider. (303) 685-1011

SUN VALLEY WINTERFEST PHOTO BY JACK WILLIAMS

New Year's Skating Party

Jan. 1, 1989: Silverton. Even wobbley skaters are welcome to strap on the blades at this informal community get-together to celebrate the New Year. All ages can be seen floating over the ice at the huge lighted outdoor rink. Rental skates are available through the local library, and hot cocoa is free to all. Call Leslie Travis at (303) 387-5522

Steamboat Springs Winter Carnival

Feb. 6–12: Steamboat Springs. The oldest continually running annual winter carnival in the U.S. has over 75 fun-filled events. In addition to ski jumping and racing, hot air balloon races, and a parade with the band on skis, visitors will enjoy the ski-joring events (horse-pulled skiers) down Main Street and the "lighted" man spectacle at closing ceremonies. (303) 879-0695

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Kona Coffee Festival

Oct. 30, Nov. 3–5: Kailua Kona, Hawaii. The aroma should lead spectators to this celebration of the only harvest of commercially grown coffee in the U.S. The Coffee Cup Contest has professional coffee tasters choosing the best coffee grown by the 650 coffee farmers on the island. Other activities include a coffee picking contest, parade, queen contest, arts and crafts, international market, and a coffee recipe competition. (808) 322-6500

Pearl Harbor Aloha Festival

Nov. 10–13: Naval Station, Pearl Harbor, Oahu. A "paniolo" (cowboy) village is set up with country-and-western music, horseshoe pitching, and hayrides to entertain visitors at this annual celebration. A second staging area offers ethnic Hawaiian activities including lei making, outrigger canoeing, and a luau. Headliners provide continuous entertainment at a third area. (808) 471-0818

Kilauea Volcano Wilderness Rim Run

Jan. 21, 1989: Hawaii Volcanos National Park, Hawaii. The scenery is fascinating and the routes exciting as runners gather for three distance races through this volcano region. The Volcano Wilderness Marathon (26.2 miles) crosses the Kau Desert; the Summit Caldera Rim Run (10 miles) circles a caldera; the Kilauea Iki Crater Run (5.5 miles) heads into Kilauea Iki Crater and back out. Entries are limited. (808) 967-7179

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Idaho Annual Spud Day

Sep. 24: Shelley. Miss Russet presides over festivities honoring the potato. Following the morning parade, free baked spuds are distributed; then contestants gather for the traditional spud-picking contests (done by hand). A carnival and food booths are set up in the town park. (208) 357-3457

International Draft Horse Show and Sale

Oct. 7–10: Sandpoint. Horse people from all over the U.S. and Canada converge on tiny Sandpoint to watch draft animals — from Clydesdales to mules — perform. They also come to buy stock on October 10. Visitors are treated to log-skidding and team driving contests, and a raffle for a Percheron colt. Outside the arena, equipment and horse-drawn vehicles are for sale, as well as arts and crafts and ethnic foods of all types. (208) 263-2161

Basque Charity Dance

Jan. 21, 1989: Caldwell. One of Idaho's travel bonuses is a performance by the famous Oinkari Basque Dancers. The troupe performs at this charity party, followed by contests of strength — weight carrying (a contestant walks with 110-pound cylinders in each hand until he can go no farther) and tug-of-war. Cash prizes go to the winners. A lamb auction comes next; then the dancing. (208) 459-1401

Winterfest

Jan. 27–Feb. 4: Sun Valley/Ketchum. Winterfest is synonymous with every type of cold-weather entertainment imaginable: ski racing, cross-country skiing, skating, ice hockey, and a snow golf tournament (played with tennis balls), as well as ice-sculpture and snowman-building contests. Everyone in town turns out in costume for an "anything-goes" parade. (800) 634-3347

Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival

Feb. 23–25: Moscow. Three days of music by high school, college, and professional jazz bands and choirs echo across the University of Idaho campus. The pros put on clinics for the younger players each day. On the final evening, Lionel Hampton appears with his band and another well-known guest artist. (208) 885-6765 or (208) 885-7422

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1988 World Ag Expo

Sep. 7–10: Amana Colonies. This exposition features the world ploughing contest, a rare event held only every twenty-two years in the U.S., with state, national, and international levels of competition. Twenty-six foreign teams will be among the competitors to see who can plow the finest furrow. Displays of farm equipment and supplies, clothing, arts and crafts, and food make up the expo. (319) 622-3344

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Estherville Winter Sports Festival

Feb. 2–5, 1989: Estherville. Devotees of ice, snow, and cold should love this festival, which includes skiing, snowmobiling, and ice sculpture among other activities. All kinds of arts and crafts are on sale at the flea market, and the international food fair should have something for everyone's palate. Music and a talent show are also on the schedule. (712) 362-3541

Tulip Mania

Feb. 15–Mar. 13: Des Moines. Thousands of tulips grace the Des Moines Botanical Center's 150-foot-diameter geodesic dome, offering a colorful relief from Iowa's winter. The botanical center also has over 2,000 tropical and subtropical plants on display. (515) 283-4148

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Great Land Rush Bicycle Race

Sep. 17: Caldwell, Kansas, to Enid, Oklahoma. When the gun sounds, cyclists pedal along a route that follows the historic Chisholm Trail over territory included in the land rush of 1893. A pre-race party and art auction are held in Caldwell, with a continental breakfast served on race day. The course ends fifty-four miles away in Enid, where an Indian exposition and awards ceremony await. (405) 249-4371

Windwagon Races

Oct. 2: Goodland. Spectators will enjoy watching pioneer-spirited racers rig their "prairie schooners" with sails to cover a one-mile course, drag-race style. Windwagon entries must have four wheels and a sail to qualify. (913) 899-5950

Pumpkin Patch

Oct. 7–8: Manhattan. Hearty appetites are welcome at the homemade dinner offered at this annual arts and crafts harvest festival. Handmade items are displayed at over 100 crafters' booths. Music programs and pony rides fill out the program. (913) 537-0962

Emerald City Holiday Lighting

Nov. 25–Dec. 25: Russell. In holiday dress, each town block in Russell presents its own decoration theme, with maps available. As a lighted parade winds through the town, all other lights are off; then the whole town is lit at once. Shoppers use sales tickets from purchases made in town to bid at the Christmas auction where prizes are donated by merchants. (913) 483-3401

International Pancake Day

Feb. 7, 1989: Liberal. Each woman in the Olney race is dressed in apron and headscarf and carries a skillet holding a pancake as she runs a 415-yard course. The best time wins. Then a call is placed to Olney, England, where the race originated 400 years ago, to compare timed results of their race, held six hours earlier. A pancake breakfast, pancake eating and cooking contests, a parade, and games round out the activities. (316) 624-3855

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Lagniappe on the Bayou

Oct. 7–9: Chauvin. A *fais do do* (a dance in the open) and Cajun music are features of this gathering. *Lagniappe* (a little something special) has activities to please everyone — carnival rides, games, a raffle, and plenty of Cajun foods and crafts. (504) 594-5859

Jambalaya Tours

Nov. 23–26: near Clinton. Turkey jambalaya is the main course at a traditional Thanksgiving meal served for the enjoyment of cyclists participating in this event. Bike tours involve three ride lengths from 10 to 100 miles. Ask for Harry McWreath at (504) 293-3508.

A Cajun Christmas in Layfayette

Dec. 1–31: Layfayette. Christmases past can be savored on trips through the authentic restored Acadian village and the Lafayette Museum prepared for a Victorian-style yule. The decorated and lighted historic district can be viewed by car or by cruising the bayou aboard the *Vermillion Queen*. A holiday parade, living Christmas tree, live manger scene, and a Cajun Twelve Days of Christmas add to this city's special holiday celebration. (800) 346-1958 or (318) 232-3737 in-state.

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Jan. 28, 1989: Monroe/West Monroe. The Roman god Janus reigns over a lighted three and one-half mile night parade. Attended by 50,000 spectators, this event occurs two weeks before Mardi Gras in New Orleans. Costumes are optional at post-parade parties. Cajun foods and the music of the South abound. Ask for Janet at (318) 362-0290.

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Oktoberfest

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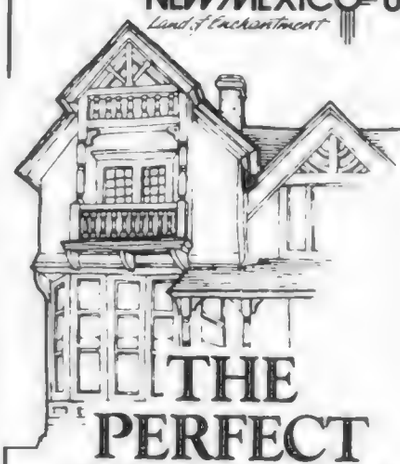

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MISSOURI

Missouri Division of Tourism
Truman State Office Building
P.O. Box 1055
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102
(314)751-4133

National Crafts Festival

Sep. 16–Oct. 30 (except Tuesdays): Branson. About 100 leading Ozark craftsmen demonstrate their skills in an action exposition of rare and historic handicrafts. Crafters take time to show you log hewing, rope making, corn-husk doll making, quilting, pottery, and more. (417)338-8210

Old Tyme Apple Festival

Oct. 1: Versailles. Highlights of this festival include a parade, childrens' games, and arts, crafts, and food booths in downtown Versailles — once a Missouri apple-growing center. Local folk take out their frustrations on each other in an evening demolition derby. (314)378-4401

American Royal Livestock, Horse Show, and Rodeo

Nov. 4–20: Kansas City. The American Royal is the nation's largest event of its kind and has attracted competitors from across the nation since 1899. Standard Western rodeo fare is combined with English-style equestrian competitions and livestock auctions. Other events include national and regional barbecue contests. (816)221-9800

Black Heritage Month

Feb. 1–28, 1989: St. Louis. Special programming on the history and culture of Black Americans is stressed for the month at the Old Courthouse, a historical museum and landmark. Folk tales, mock trials (the Dred Scott case, for example), and exhibits are aimed largely at a children's audience, giving them a better appreciation of the Black frontier experience. (314)425-4465

MONTANA

Travel Montana
Department of Commerce
1424 – 9th Avenue
Helena, Montana 59620
(800) 541-1447 or (406) 444-2654 in-state

Annual Labor Day Weekend Packhorse Race

Sep. 4: Augusta. Teams consisting of two packers and one horse plus a pack animal (llama, mule, or horse) loaded with bales of straw tackle a rough course in the timed events. In the Century Race, the combined ages of the two packers must exceed 100 years. Horseshoe pitching, BBQs, and music add to the fun. (406) 562-9234 or 562-9237

Whitefish Summer Games

Sep. 8–11: Whitefish. The thrill of victory and the agony of defeat are experienced by amateur athletes who compete in golf, softball, soccer, tennis, canoe racing, horseshoes, raquetball, volleyball, bicycle races, 5K run, bowling, rodeo, rifle and pistol matches. The "Taste of Whitefish" has area restaurants serving their specialties. (406) 862-3501

Christmas Stroll

Dec. 2: Bozeman. Sleigh bells jingle as horse-drawn sleighs/wagons move up and down blocked-off Main Street. Shoppers enjoy carolers, music, food, arts and crafts, Christmas scenes, and a visit from Kris Kringle. A Christmas Ball tops off the evening. (406) 587-7640

OSCR Cross-Country Ski Races

Feb. 4, 1989: Seeley Lake. Skiers don their woolies and enjoy the season at open Nordic cross-country ski marathons in 10K and 50K distances. The course is ninety percent skateable and runs over elevations of 4200–5200 feet. Winners in each age division are honored at the dinner/awards presentation in the evening. (406) 677-2880

NEBRASKA

Nebraska Division of Travel and Tourism
Department of Economic Development
P. O. Box 94666
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4666
(800) 228-4307 or in-state (800) 742-7595

Applejack Festival

Sep. 17–18: Nebraska City. Only sweet cider is served as this community begins the apple harvest. A parade and pancake feed in the autumn air are sure to appeal. A craft show, antique sale, flea market, and go-cart races guarantee fun for all ages. (402) 873-6654

Fall Auto Tour and Wildlife Art Sale

Oct. 1–Nov. 11: Blair. The sounds of autumn fill the air as thousands of migratory waterfowl appear in the DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge that transects the Iowa/Nebraska border. Wildlife artists display paintings and wood carvings from Oct. 1–22. As the annual migration peaks to nearly 200,000 birds, Oct. 15–Nov. 11, self-guided tours of the area allow visitors to enjoy the spectacle at their own pace. (712) 642-4121

Panhandle Czech Heritage Day

Oct. 16: Lodgepole. *Hoska, kolaches, jeternice, boktha,* and roast duck and dumplings are some of entries offered at a covered dish supper as Czechs gather to dance polkas and share community. Costumes are encouraged. Ask for Lorraine Lafler at (308) 254-5979 or 254-4677, ext. 14.

Christmas on the Homestead

Dec. 15–18: Homestead National Historic Monument, Beatrice. The public is invited to help make ornaments for the cedar tree as the sights, sounds, and smells of a pioneer Christmas are replicated. A taffy pull and an interpretive story of an 1800s pioneer holiday bring the period to life. (402) 223-3514

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Imperial Palace Antique Auto Run

Oct. 28–30: Las Vegas. Antique-car enthusiasts from all over the country take part in this rally. All cars must have been manufactured before 1936, and in past years many have dated to the teens. On Saturday the 29th drivers — many dressed in appropriate period costume — rev up and leave from the Imperial Palace for a morning caravan and poker run. Trophies are awarded for the best poker hand, the oldest car, and the best costume. (702)794-3209

National Old-Timers' Rodeo

Nov. 16–20: Reno. Riders — men and women — must be over forty (but there are some as old as eighty) to compete in this event. About 350 entrants will vie in eight categories for almost $90,000 in this rodeo, the finals of the year's sixty contests on the old-timers' circuit. For more information, call the National Old-Timers' Rodeo Association at (406)323-3380.

Invitational Chariot Racing

Jan. 28–29, 1989: Wells. Five to six chariot-racing clubs meet to find out which is fastest over a quarter-mile straightaway in Roman-style horse racing. Prizes range from equestrian equipment for the winners to hats for the losers. The invitational event is a warm-up for the World Finals held in Elko, Nevada, in March. (702)752-3721

Bristlecone Birkebeiner

Feb. 4: Ely. Everyone and anyone is welcome to compete in five- and ten-kilometer cross-country ski races along the foot of Ward Mountain outside of Ely. Children under nine vie in a two-and-one-half-kilometer race. Prizes are given in various categories, and a party follows the competition. (702)289-8877 or (702)289-3065

NEW MEXICO

Economic Development and
Tourism Department
1100 St. Francis Drive
P.O. Box 20003
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503
(505)827-0300 or (800)545-2040

Annual Feast Day of San Esteban

Sep. 2: Old Acoma. Mass is said at the mission church of San Esteban del Rey, followed by a procession to a shrine dedicated to the patron saint of the 1,200-year-old Sky City. Afternoon activities include traditional Acoma dancing, and the village is dotted with booths featuring American Indian arts and crafts and Pueblo foods. The public is welcome, but cameras are not allowed. (505)552-6604

Taste of Taos

Nov. 4–13: Taos. Northern New Mexico is well known for its fine regional cuisines — Mexican, Pueblo Indian, and American — and the Taos chefs plan to share some of their secrets with you in a cooking school at the historic Mabel Dodge Lujan house. Locally made and canned products, from blue corn to red chiles, will be for sale at this Southwest culinary excursion. The hosts plan to go for a record by making the world's largest burrito. Taos restaurants will feature specialties and provide recipes. One of the highlights of the fiesta is a production of D. H. Lawrence's play *Cake*. (800)732-TAOS

Red Rock Balloon Rally

Dec. 2–4: Red Rock State Park, Gallup. Set against a natural backdrop of snowcapped red mesas, 100 hot air balloons open this event by making a mass ascension. Various types of racing and balloon competitions follow. Gallup residents celebrate the event by holding their annual Christmas parade and by staging five- and ten-kilometer fun runs. (800)242-4282

Snow Bird Powwow

Jan. 19–22, 1989: Truth or Consequences. Tourists gather along the banks of the Rio Grande to buy, sell, and ogle gems and minerals, while fiddlers and country-and-western bands entertain. The country jamboree includes competitions for participants: oldest visitor, longest-married couple, and the greatest distance traveled. Arts, crafts, and ethnic foods are part of the fiesta, along with tours of the local lakes and Elephant Butte Dam. (505)894-3238

NORTH DAKOTA

North Dakota Dept. of Tourism
Liberty Memorial Bldg.
Capitol Grounds
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505
(800) 437-2077 or (800) 472-2100

Overnight Sailboat Race

Sep. 17–18: Lake Sakakawea, Garrison. The real prize for entrants is the spectacular scenery of the Badlands from this large man-made lake on the Missouri. Sailors race 15 miles, stop overnight and enjoy a steak fry, then race back. A staggered start due to handicap times insures that whoever crosses the finish line first, wins. (701) 224-1541

Buffalo Days

Sep. 30–Oct. 2: Jamestown. Buffalo burgers are the main course as this community celebrates its Western heritage with a parade, rodeo, and chuck wagon races. A Ft. Seward infantry unit sets up an encampment and presents demonstrations of army life. (701) 252-4830

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KILAUEA VOLCANO WILDERNESS RIM RUN

Sauerkraut Day

Oct. 12: Wishek. Costumes are optional as this community enjoys a traditional autumn social event. Kraut, weiners, and potatoes are served as music, prize drawings, and a dance provide entertainment. (701) 452-2100

Sweet Adelines Annual Show

Oct. 29 (tentative): Bismarck. "Centennial Kickoff — Hysterically Speaking" is a fun look at North Dakota's past as the Bismarck chapter of Sweet Adelines (women's barbershop chorus) prepares for the state's centennial celebration in 1989. Colorfully costumed, the singers also present a patriotic medley and golden oldies. (701) 222-4295 or 255-2438

Dickensian Dinner and Concert

Dec. 8–10: Fargo. Members of the Red River Boys Choir dressed as David Copperfield, Oliver Twist, or perphaps Tiny Tim sing carols in the assembly hall of the restored Victorian railroad depot as wassail is served. After a dinner prepared and served by costumed parents of the boys, the choir presents a holiday concert. Tickets are needed. (218) 233-3661

OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Dept.
500 Will Rogers Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105
(800) 652-6552

Women's National Finals Rodeo

Sep. 8–10: Guthrie. Determination fuels the ladies who compete in events such as team roping, barrel racing, bull riding, bareback riding, undecorating steers, and calf roping for the title of All-Around Champion Cowgirl. Last year's prize money totaled $2,000 per event. (405) 485-2277 or 282-3004

Cavanal Fall Festival

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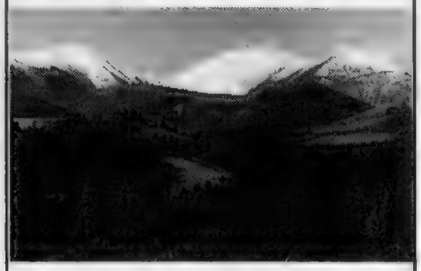

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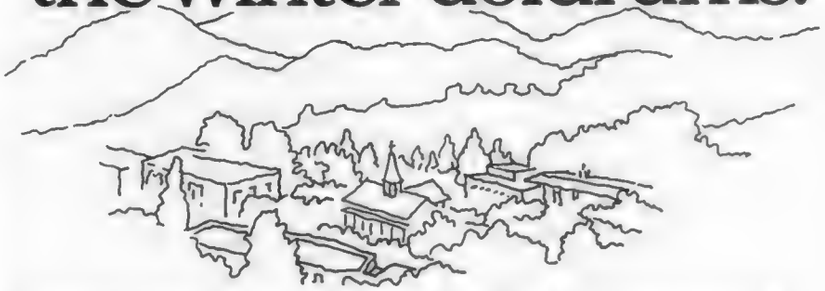

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Honey Festival
Nov. 11–12: Erick. Busy bees on the J. D. Martin Honey Farm produce rich clover honey from the largest colony of glass-sided observation hives (for viewing hive activity) in the world. Tours of the farm include historical films. In town, visitors will enjoy a Honey Festival Parade, crowning of "Queen Bee," and craft and food booths. (405) 526-3675

Holiday Gala at the Marland Mansion
Dec. 2: Ponca City. A formal evening begins with hors d'oeuvres and refreshments served in the ballroom and salon. Ladies dressed in ball gowns swirl with partners to live music in the inner and outer lounges of this 55-room mansion built by oil magnate E. W. Marland in the 1920s. Tickets are needed. (405) 765-2422

Chocolate Festival
Feb. 11, 1989: Norman. Treat your sweet to a chocoholic's dream. A ticket buys a session in the Fire House Arts Center for 10 free samples of chocolates from candy makers. A specially priced all-you-can-eat "pig-out" ticket is $10.00. Chocolate desserts and sculptures by chefs/gourmets are judged, with a dance after the awards ceremony. Hanging artworks are based on a chocolate theme. (405) 329-4523

OREGON

Economic Development Department
Tourism Division
595 Cottage Street, N.E.
Salem, Oregon 97310
(800) 233-3306 (in Oregon) or
(800) 547-7842

Umpqua Valley Wine and Food Festival
Sep. 9–11: Roseburg. Whet your appetite for gourmet foods with wines from over fifteen vintners from across the state. Food booths — ethnic and continental — are complemented by art displays and live dixieland and bluegrass music. Douglas County also hosts a Gem and Mineral Show at the Fairgrounds and the Winston-Dillard Melon Festival on the same weekend. (503) 672-2648.

Quilt Show and Textile Festival
Oct. 7–9: Salem. Mission Mill Museum sponsors this annual event for local quilters, highlighting more than 200 contemporary and antique quilts. Craftsmen from all over the country demonstrate various fiber arts from weaving and spinning to basketry and needlework for the textile festival. (503) 585-7012

Polar Bear Water Ski and Chili Cook Off
Nov. 5–6: Diamond Lake. Once the fishing season closes, die-hard water-skiers come from miles around to take to the mid-forty-degree waters for slalom racing. Other participants bring their favorite chili for judging and consumption. (503) 793-3333

Oregon Seafood Festival
Jan. 19–21, 1989: North Bend. If you like good seafood this is the place to be — a major gathering of specialists from commercial fishermen to gourmet chefs. One important feature of the celebration is the Governor's Seafood Cook Off Challenge, where chefs from across the state compete for first prize for the best dish. Awaiting hungry visitors are booths serving many types of fish, and wine tasting of vintages from local wineries, as well as educational exhibits and live entertainment. (800) 824-8486

Oregon Mid-Winter Square, Round, and Clog Dancing Festival
Jan. 27–29: Eugene. Over 4,000 participants come from far and wide to dance country style. Nationally recognized callers and cuers direct the action, which goes on all day and well into the night. Classes are available for beginners, and the only restriction is that every dancer must be in appropriate costume. (503) 686-8210 or (503) 689-5326

SOUTH DAKOTA

South Dakota Department of Tourism
Capitol Lake Plaza
Pierre, South Dakota 57501
(800) 843-1930 or (800) 952-3625 (in state)

Potato Days
Sep. 23–24: Clark. In the heart of South Dakota's potato growing country, they celebrate with a parade, barbecue, and contests involving the spud: potato sculpture, potato peeling, largest potato, and most unusual potato. Townspeople also share potato recipes. (605) 532-5541

National Congress of American Indians
Oct. 23–29: Sioux Falls. For the 23rd year American Indians from across the U.S. and Canada will gather to discuss issues ranging from tribal economics to justice and legislation, health and education. Exhibits and arts and crafts booths are included, and evening social activities and powwows round out the meeting. Political celebrities are expected, and the public is welcome at all activities. (605) 338-8090

Christmas in the Hills
Dec. 9–11: Hot Springs. Lighting the town Christmas tree kicks off a weekend of Christmas festivities: merchants stay open late for food and refreshment, and local craftsmen display and sell their wares. Carols, a candlelight procession, live nativity scene, and lots of food and fun complete the celebration. (605) 745-4120

Sharping Longhorn and Exotic Animal Sale
Feb. 22–25, 1989: Chamberlain. If you are thinking of starting a carnival and need a zebra or a camel, go to this sale. The Sharping family raises various exotic animals, including miniatures, or takes them in on consignment for the auction. Two days are dedicated to selling antiques — everything from guns and Indian relics to horse-drawn vehicles. (605) 894-4335

Deadwood Winter Carnival
Feb. 25–26: Deadwood. Citizens from throughout the Deadwood-Lead area turn out to celebrate snow, ice, and the region's logging industry. Skiing, skating, a scavenger hunt, arm-wrestling contests, and loggers' competitions are highlights. Indoor activities include a style show of antique clothing and parties at local watering holes. (605) 578-1876

TEXAS

Texas Travel & Information Division
State Department of Highways
11th and Brazos streets
Austin, Texas 78701
(512) 463-8585

Bayfest
Sep. 16–18: Corpus Christi. Waterfront events at this huge family festival include the "anything-that-floats-but-not-boats" race, sailboat regatta, and a boat parade. Children are treated to puppet shows, a street parade, fireworks, and aquarium exhibits. Continuous music surrounds browsers at craft and food booths. (512) 887-0868

Texas Rose Festival
Oct. 13–16: Tyler. "A rose by any other name" might still be one of 500 varieties grown in the Tyler area which produces half of all commercially grown rose bushes in the world. A Rose Queen reigns over the Rose Parade. Visitors will enjoy tours of the 22-acre rose garden, a display of 120,000 cut flowers, art shows, and a craft fair. (214) 592-1661

Texas Pheasant/Quail Cook Off
Oct. 29: Amarillo. Tantalizing smells fill the air as game birds are prepared by serious contenders in delicious original recipes using fresh ingredients/wines, 75% of which must be from Texas. Prizes include airline tickets for two. Evening brings a "Taste of Texas" featuring favorite Texas foods. (806) 358-7285

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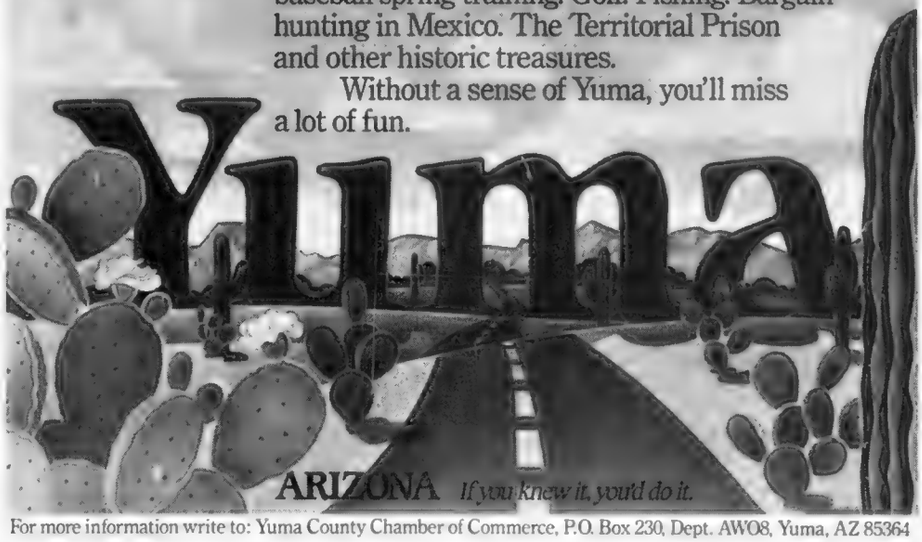

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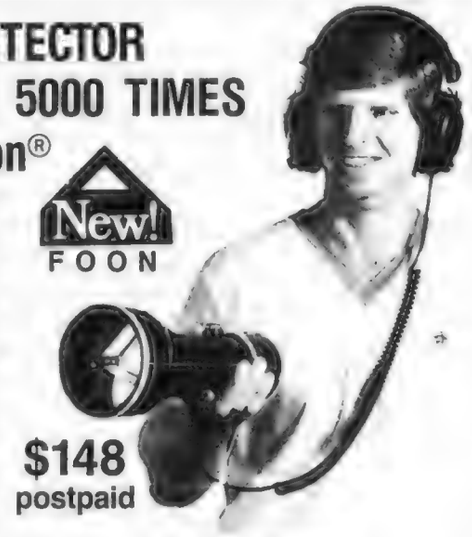

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UTAH

Utah Travel Council
Council Hall/Capitol Hill
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114
(801) 538-1030

Swiss Days

Sep. 2–3: Midway. Yodelers and alpinhorn players lend musical flavor to this celebration honoring founding Swiss settlers. Dances, musical programs, arts/crafts, flower displays, parade, a Heidi puppet show, and a big, open Swiss market are attractions for the 25,000 visitors. (801) 654-2416

Melon Days

Sep. 16–17: Green River. This community shares the bounty of its main cash crop with all the melon you can eat — watermelon, cantaloupe, honeydew. Square dancing, horseshoe pitching, trap shoot, fiddlers' contest, and races and games for kids guarantee a packed weekend. (801) 564-3526

Southern Utah Endurance Ride

Nov. 12: St. George. "To finish is to win" is the motto of riders who will cover distances of 30, 55, or 100 miles on horseback over moderate to difficult trails. Pre-ride vet checks for the horses, and check-ins at race stations are mandatory. The most coveted award is the "Best Conditioned Horse" at the race's finish. (801) 879-2377

Jensen Historical Farm Christmas in 1917

Dec. 10, 17: Logan. Hands-on help from visitors is encouraged at this working farm frozen in yesteryear. Projects include handcrafted tree ornaments, holiday candies and cookies, tree trimming, and caroling. Sleigh rides and hot cider/cocoa are a real treat for all. (801) 245-4064

Cross-Country Community Ski Trip

Jan. 1989 (Call for dates): Price. The fantastic scenery and wildlife (eagles, deer) of a Rocky Mountain winter wonderland are revealed for cross-country enthusiasts on group tours. Lunch is carried in fanny packs, and some instruction is given for beginners. (801) 637-5762

WASHINGTON

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Bumbershoot

Sep. 2–5: Seattle. An eclectic arts fair, covering everything from top-name rock-and-roll musicians in concert to fine regional foods for sale. Its distinctive flavor is marked by the huge range of performances and exhibits: live music, theater, dance, literary and visual arts, juried craft displays, comedy and children's entertainment. (206) 622-5123

Oyster Fest

Oct. 1–2: Shelton. Shellfish, seafood, wine, musical entertainment, and the West Coast Oyster Shucking Championships draw thousands to the southern end of Puget Sound. Over 100 vendors set up seafood booths — no two serving the same dishes — and Washington wineries provide samples of their spirits. Family fun is the sponsors' goal (numerous educational exhibits for adults and children are part of the event), and all profits go to benefit nonprofit community organizations. Anyone can test his oyster-shucking skills with the winner going to the national championships in Maryland. (206) 426-1111

Northwest Bach Festival

Jan. 6–15, 1989: Spokane. Connoisseur Concerts, a nonprofit organization, brings the baroque era to life with five performances featuring compositions by Johann Sebastian Bach and Johann Christian Bach. Concerts include an organ recital at St. John's Episcopal Cathedral, a presentation of J. S. Bach's *Goldberg Variations*, and the grand finale — a choral rendition of the *Mass in B Minor*. (509) 747-6443

Langley Mystery Weekend

Feb. 18–19: Langley. Sleuths of all ages — the whole seaside village of Langley, bolstered by many tourists — dust off their magnifying glasses and sharpen their detective skills to solve a fictional mystery. Local writers plot the crime and provide clues at town businesses. Budding Perry Masons view the scene of the crime and are provided with maps to the clues. For two days they chase around town looking for the perpetrator, the motive, and the method. On Sunday night the solution is revealed in a skit at the local theater. The winner is given a free night for two at a local bed and breakfast inn and a complimentary dinner for two. (206) 321-6765

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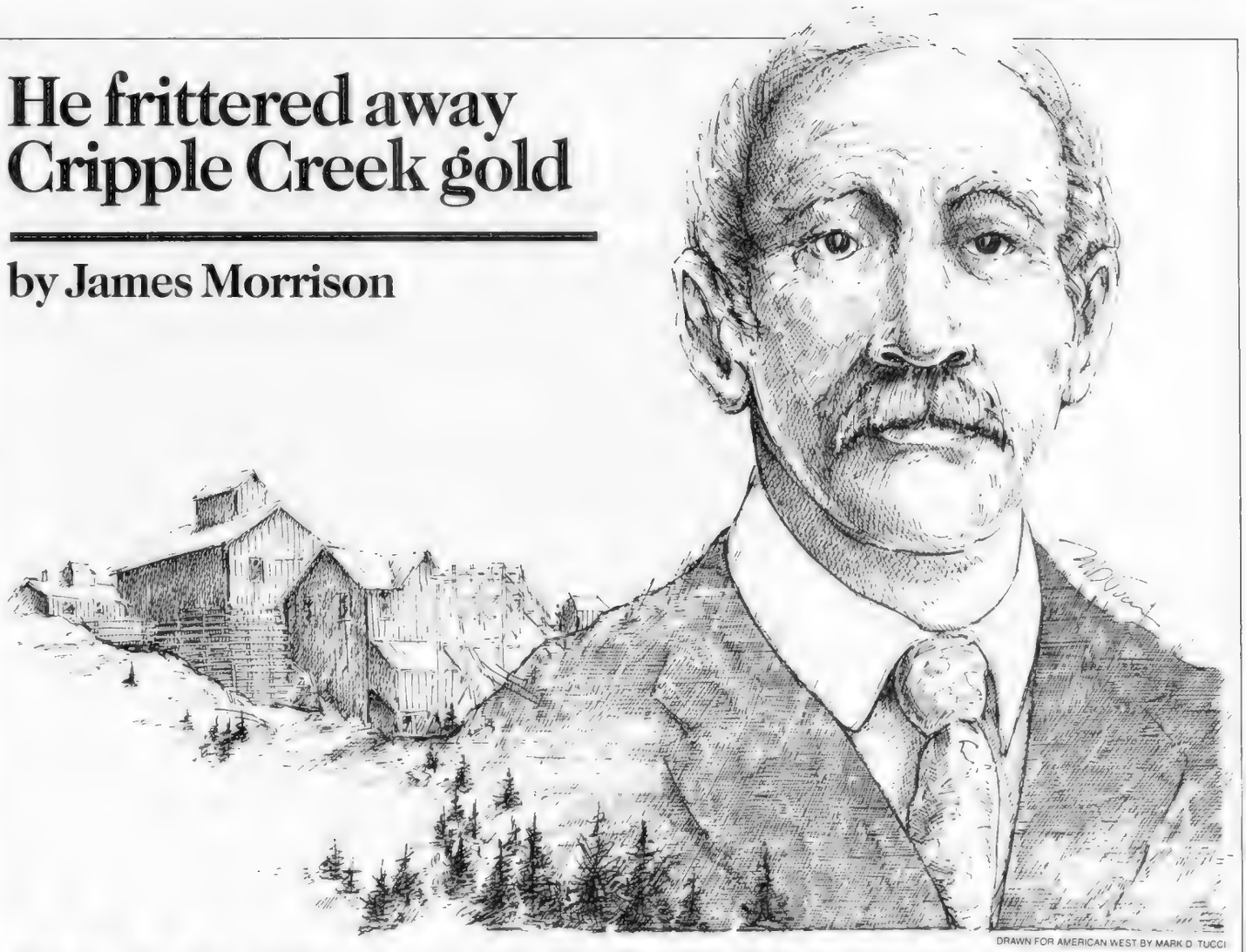
He frittered away Cripple Creek gold

by James Morrison



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THE TRUE STORY OF BOB WOMACK

ACCORDING TO LEGEND, ON A SPRING MORNING IN 1889 Bob Womack discovered gold in a ditch in the rear section of his cow pasture. A drunk, Womack jumped on his horse and rode directly to a saloon, where he drank a bottle of Scotch and sold the ditch for five hundred dollars without knowing it. Five hundred million dollars in gold were extracted from this cow pasture over the next twenty years, but Womack died broke in 1909. It is recorded in most histories that he died of a broken heart.

The true story of Womack's discovery of the Cripple Creek gold bonanza is more noble. It begins in 1875 when Womack, a thirty-two-year-old bachelor, led gold prospectors on an expedition across the southwest plateau of Pike's Peak in Colorado Territory. Dr. Ferdinand Hayden, director of the U.S. Geographical and Geological Survey of the Territories, had organized the party to investigate his suspicion that vast gold deposits lay beneath the plateau. According to his calculations, the plateau had once been a bowl created by ancient volcanic eruptions; this bowl had filled gradually over the past two billion years with precious minerals blown out from deep inside the earth. Fifty prospectors equipped with picks and dynamite accompanied Hayden and Womack. For two weeks explosions were set off throughout the area, but no substantial discovery was made; the party dispersed.

Two years later Womack bought land in a valley he had shown to the prospectors. He paid five hundred dollars and two pigs for a 160-acre lot at the bottom of a ravine that opened into wide plains. Since the climate was severe, the ranch would be used for summer grazing. After the first month Womack's younger brother William arrived on horseback with his wife, the former Ida Van Dyck. The Womacks had not approved of the brunette and had sent the newlyweds to the ranch, which, technically, was an extension of the main Womack ranch in Colorado City. After homesteading 320 more acres, the three began operations. The brothers chopped wood and tended cattle while Ida cooked meals, washed

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dishes, and did the laundry. Ida became pregnant in June; so Bob Womack built himself a shack fifty yards up the ravine.

Womack had not yet been dispossessed of Hayden's theory. With the cows gone for the winter and nothing to do, he combed the hills poking at rocks and topsoil in search of gold. In early 1878 he picked up his first clue: a chunk of gold float. Float is ore that has been worn away from its source-vein and has been carried downhill by erosion. Over the next few weeks Womack found many more float chunks and began tracing a trail that moved zigzag up the ravine. To make sure he was onto the real thing, he took several specimens into Colorado Springs; each assayed at $220 per ton, an excellent price. The chunks were strewn throughout the hills, and Womack suspected that if he could find the source-vein, it would be enormous, and he would make a fortune.

He blew out his first ditch in June. By mid-July he exploded four more. Mounds of blasted rock beside each ditch marked his float trail, which formed a crooked line up the ravine. The work was slow and laborious. As the ditches widened and deepened, cows began falling in. In two ditches they piled up and rotted, and a horrible stench stabbed at nostrils across the valley. By mid-August Womack was obsessed with the notion that beneath his pasture lay a thick vein of gold. He spent every afternoon digging ditches and splitting rocks in search of float. When he suspected he was near the vein, he buried four sticks of dynamite and set off an explosion, and before the dust settled, he was in the ditch scraping.

His fury persisted for six years, and many cows perished. In the meantime Womack had developed a reputation as a boaster. On Friday nights he arrived in Colorado Springs galloping on his white horse Lucky, and after three or four shots of bourbon, began boasting about his imminent fortune. Cripple Creek's reputation was firmly established, however: it was where cows grazed. But in arguments with miners he was adamant, and most arguments ended with a miner calling him a quack or an idiot or else punching him. As the years passed, Womack became more confident. His open letter to Senator Teller — "Don't worry about the national debt, sir, there's enough gold in Cripple Creek to pay it off" — produced howls and certified his insanity to the general public.

THE FAMILY'S PATIENCE WAS GROWING THIN. Miss Lida Womack, matriarch, called Bob an idiot to his face and told him to leave the state. Womack did not listen. There were many arguments and brawls. Often while drunk, Womack lit out of a saloon at full gallop and shot out lamp posts on both sides of Pike's Peak Avenue. He was also known to whip his horse around 180 de-

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(Opposite) ***In the fall of 1890 "Crazy Bob" Womack found a likely looking outcrop in Poverty Gulch that developed into El Paso Gold Mine, the first big producer in the district. However, Womack sold his claim for a song long before those riches were extracted.*** **(Above)** ***Cripple Creek miners get in some licks before the July 4th drilling contest in 1897.***

grees, ride back inside the saloon, and resume arguing from his position on the horse. About once a month he was arrested and locked up in the city jail, and Miss Lida had to pay twenty-five dollars to get him out.

In 1884, a Canon City hardware-store owner paid two con men one hundred dollars each to go into the local hills and salt a ditch with gold. The hardware business needed traffic that a gold rush could provide; so the con men salted their ditch extravagantly. Their ore assayed at $2,000 per ton — $20 per wheelbarrow. State newspapers announced the discovery with front page headlines — MT. PISGAH DISCOVERY! — although Mount Pisgah was forty miles north of Canon City, adjacent to Womack's shack. Overnight, miners began pouring into the area. A tent city mushroomed around the salted ditch, which the con men guarded with cocked rifles. Hundreds of ditches were dug, but none produced anything but rocks and dirt clods.

After four days the miners grew suspicious, and the con men, forseeing a lynching, fled. State newspapers announced this in headlines — MT. PISGAH HOAX! Unfortunately, the hoax and the bad blood it inspired did not slow down Womack's bragging. He even tried to capitalize on the free publicity by asking miners to visit his ranch and see the real Mount Pisgah. These miners, who had formerly been content to call him an idiot, now lined up to smack his face.

When Ida had a third baby in 1884, she convinced William that it was time to move. They sold their 320 acres to A. N. and E. N. Thompson, two brothers who wanted to get into the ranching business. Being short on capital, the Thompsons convinced a millionaire glove manufacturer from Glovesville, New York, E. J. Sullivan, to put seventy-five thousand dollars as an investment on a surefire business. By Christmas the money was gone, and the Thompsons had fled the state. Sullivan took a stagecoach out West in January, and was greeted by Womack who invited him into his shack for whiskey. Womack offered Sullivan first crack at the ground floor of an immense gold mine, but Sullivan was not to be suckered twice. He sold his ranch to a real estate firm for five thousand

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WHEN YOU GO

Once "the world's greatest gold camp," Cripple Creek is now a favorite place for visitors interested in seeing the scenes of its remarkable history. At an elevation of approximately 9,500 feet, Cripple Creek lies among the scenic beauty of the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains. Tourists stroll its streets especially during the summer and fall months when all attractions are open for their enjoyment. But the town is served by an all-weather road, and although many attractions are closed during the winter, visitors will find the museums open on weekends, along with several hotels and bed and breakfast inns.

***Note** — The area code for all Cripple Creek telephone numbers is now 719.*

***General information** — Write to Cripple Creek Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 650, Cripple Creek, Colorado 80813. Call (719)689-2169.*

***How to get there** — For a scenic one-hour drive from Colorado Springs, take all-weather Highway 24 up Ute Pass to Divide; then turn south onto Highway 67 to Cripple Creek.*

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***Cripple Creek District Museum** — Displays include Victorian and mining memorabilia, such as machinery, maps, ore samples, multilevel glass models of several large mines, household furnishings and fashions. The museum is on Bennett Avenue in the former Midland Terminal Railroad Depot. Call 689-2634.*

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***Victor** — About seven miles south of Cripple Creek (rough road), lies Victor, called the "City of Mines." Once a center of mining activities, Victor is now a tourist attraction of antique shops, restaurants, museums, gift shops, and others. It is the site of the Lowell Thomas Museum with special exhibits on newsman Lowell Thomas, mining, journalism, women, and Cripple Creek millionaires.*

***Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument** — Some miles out of Cripple Creek, this Monument features a nature walk among giant petrified tree stumps, a visitors' center, and gift shop. Call 748-3253.*

***Accommodations** — Cripple Creek has a number of hotels, motels, and bed and breakfast inns, as well as trailer parks and campgrounds. The refurbished Imperial Hotel, operating since 1896, offers the nation's oldest melodrama theatre during summer months. Call 689-2922. Vaudeville dinner theatre with musical revue is a feature at the Palace Hotel, built in 1896. Call 689-2992. Outdoor enthusiasts will find fishing, hiking, and camping in the neighboring three million acres of the Pike National forest. REPEAT CAUTION: take care in mining areas. All of the old mine dumps and shafts should be considered unstable. In the winter, Cripple Creek is a base for ice-fishing, sledding, and cross-country skiing in public recreation areas north of Cripple Creek and south of Victor.*

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The photos of the "Miners Home"* (opposite) *and the Cripple Creek Assay Office* (above) *were taken by William E. Hook during the 1890s. Hook was a British photographer who settled with his family in Colorado Springs. He left many photographs of the Pikes Peak region, of Yellowstone National Park, and of the Canadian Rockies. The Pikes Peak Library District in Colorado Springs holds a collection of his works.

dollars and returned to Glovesville.

In spite of hardships, Womack continued to dig ditches and set off explosions. Four years passed. On a November morning in 1888, Womack went to a Colorado Springs dentist to have his teeth cleaned and his molars checked. In the course of the examination Womack set forth Dr. Hayden's theory of the pre-history of Pike's Peak, beginning with its ancient volcanic eruptions and moving through two billion years of plate tectonics and mineralogy to the present. To prove his point he produced a chunk of float which he had in his pant's pocket.

The dentist, Dr. H. P. Grannis, had just arrived in town and had not yet heard that Womack was an idiot. He went to the college library and studied local geological history, in particular the mines in Leadville, Aspen, and Telluride. When he saw Womack again in early December, he gave him five hundred dollars cash in exchange for a half share in whatever he discovered. For the first time in eleven years, Womack's search was legitimized; he flushed with pride. He paid for a haircut and went to the general store and bought two shirts, corduroys, whiskey, and a box of dynamite.

Womack located the source-vein in July. He drove a stake into the ground in front of the ditch, which was at the end of a float trail that had grown to the length of two and one-half miles. He scrawled R. WOMACK and H. P. GRANNIS onto the stake and then galloped Lucky into Colorado Springs, where he and Grannis drank whiskey. But as Womack explained, the gold was not the type that people panned out of river beds in California. This gold was embedded in rock. The only way to get at it was by digging a mine shaft and hauling the rock out and smelting it, an expensive operation requiring an outlay of capital.

Womack and Grannis tried to lure investors by displaying a chunk of the vein in the front window of Harry Seldomridge's Feed Store in downtown Colorado Springs. But with Womack's name connected to the discovery, it was disregarded. The newspaper mentioned it at the end of a story about a hoax, and there was not a single inquiry.

WOMACK AND GRANNIS WERE UNDAUNTED. They gathered their evidence and dragging along the city assayer, Professor Lamb of Colorado College, made a pitch to wealthy men around town. No investments were made, but the presentations and the credibility of Dr. Lamb made enough of an impression that

local prospectors began traveling to the valley and inspecting it out of curiosity. A few of them who later hit pay dirt were: Ed de la Vergne and Fred Frisbee, furniture merchants; James Burns and James Doyle, firemen; Winfield Scott Stratton, carpenter.

Things started happening in a hurry. In six months over a hundred claims were made, inducing George Carr (whom the real estate firm had hired to run the ranch) to call a meeting in which regulations might be established and a district formed. The meeting occurred on April 5, 1890, in George Carr's living room. Ten miners attended, and several families — the Piggs, Wilsons, Groses, and Weltys — came by buggy from their ranches that surrounded the valley. Liquor was served; Womack took bourbon and sat in a corner. The first agenda item was to name the district. Nominations were: Big Bull, Cripple Creek, Womack, and Mount Pisgah; Womack placed second in the balloting. Three regulations were established: (1) a man could stake as many claims as he wanted, (2) a claim consisted of the ten square acres that surrounded the ditch, (3) a man had to give up his claim unless he sank at least $100 in labor into it each year.

The meeting adjourned. Before serving dessert, George Carr gave a speech praising Womack's dedication in his search for gold and his vision and perseverance in the face of a hostile public. When Carr lifted his glass, the group burst into applause with whoops and hollers, and everyone stood. Womack stood and took a deep bow, sweeping his hat to the floor.

Cripple Creek grew steadily for a year. Each day five or ten miners arrived on horse or on foot. Dutch Henry packed beer and whiskey into the center of camp on a donkey, placed a board across two beer kegs, and opened a saloon. Bart Work began giving haircuts in the next tent, the first barbershop in the camp. When rainy season began in August, D. C. Williams (Denver Colorado Williams) opened up a tent hotel. A U.S. post office was built next to that. The town at the base of Womack's ravine began spreading out in all directions as mine shafts were sunk all over the three-hundred-square-mile valley.

Womack had dozens of claims around the district but worked on none of them. He was too busy performing his duty as Cripple Creek's discoverer and living legend, spending his days telling stories and dispensing wisdom to newcomers. For this he was rewarded with whiskey and food. As the town grew, so did his role. He was an honorary guest at Cripple Creek's first Sunday school session in Mother Duffy's Buckhorn Saloon. He was elected Sergeant at the Squaw Gulch Amusement Club — his job was to keep hookers off the dance floor. In the fall of 1891 George Carr ran for mayor with Womack as his campaign manager. Carr was the heavy favorite, but on the eve of the election he and Womack became drunk, lassoed the opponent by his feet, and dragged him through puddles in the center of downtown to the horror of citizens. They expressed their sympathy for the opponent by voting him into office. When Womack needed a meal or cash to gamble with, he sold a claim, some for as little as five dollars — others he gave away outright. Most of his discovery disappeared in this manner.

In 1892 several important discoveries were made. The carpenter Stratton found a $20 million vein in his Independence Mine. Furniture mechants Frisbee and De La Vergne found the $10 million El Dorado Lode. The firemen, Burns and Doyle, began digging in their Portland Mine that produced $40 million by 1905. Two druggists who had never mined before threw up a hat and began digging where it landed — the Pharmacist Mine produced $25 million. No ditch of Womack's went below the fifteen-foot mark. In 1893 when the district began booming at world record levels, Womack caught pneumonia and spent three months in bed in his shack. Local prostitutes formed round-the-clock shifts and forced him to drink a tablespoonful of kerosene every two hours, and he was slowly nursed back to health.

PALE AND WEAK, WOMACK RE-EMERGED IN MID-December into a sprawling and bustling town of ten thousand. Miners were now arriving by the trainload to work in the big mines owned by Stratton and Burns and Frisbee. The town's sudden growth must have been shocking: there were three banks, two whorehouses, a Congregationalist church, a newspaper. A dozen buildings in the downtown area were in various stages of construction. The open valley had been covered with hotels and gambling halls. Perhaps more heartbreaking, newcomers no longer sought Womack. The big names now were Burns and Frisbee and Stratton or the druggists. Womack was a relic. The town had forgotten him. He began working on what he had left — two claims — but his heart wasn't in it.

On December 25, 1893, Womack sold his two claims for five-hundred one-dollar bills. One of the positive additions to the town was the presence of children, and on that sunny holiday dozens of little ones were out on the streets strolling with family. Womack held forth on the corner of 3rd Street and Bennett and passed out dollar bills to children. The line grew rapidly, and the gaunt Santa was ebullient, chatting with every child. However, grown men began cutting in line, and when Womack took a swing at one, a fight broke out. Womack was knocked unconscious and robbed. Friends pushed him home in an ore cart, and he left town the next morning by stagecoach.

In 1899 a newspaper reporter in Colorado Springs described Womack's career after he gave up his mining claims:

> My living room window looks down on the kitchen of Miss Lida Womack's boardinghouse, where Bob Womack is the dishwasher. Thus I see the man who walked away from millions as he goes about his duties. Sometimes he is splitting kindling, and sometimes he is wearing his blue bib apron and is washing the dishes. All the time he is singing or talking as merrily as a boy turned loose from school.

Womack held his job as a dishwasher for ten years. He returned to Cripple Creek occasionally to drink in the saloons, and in 1902 he was featured in a parade down Bennett Avenue.

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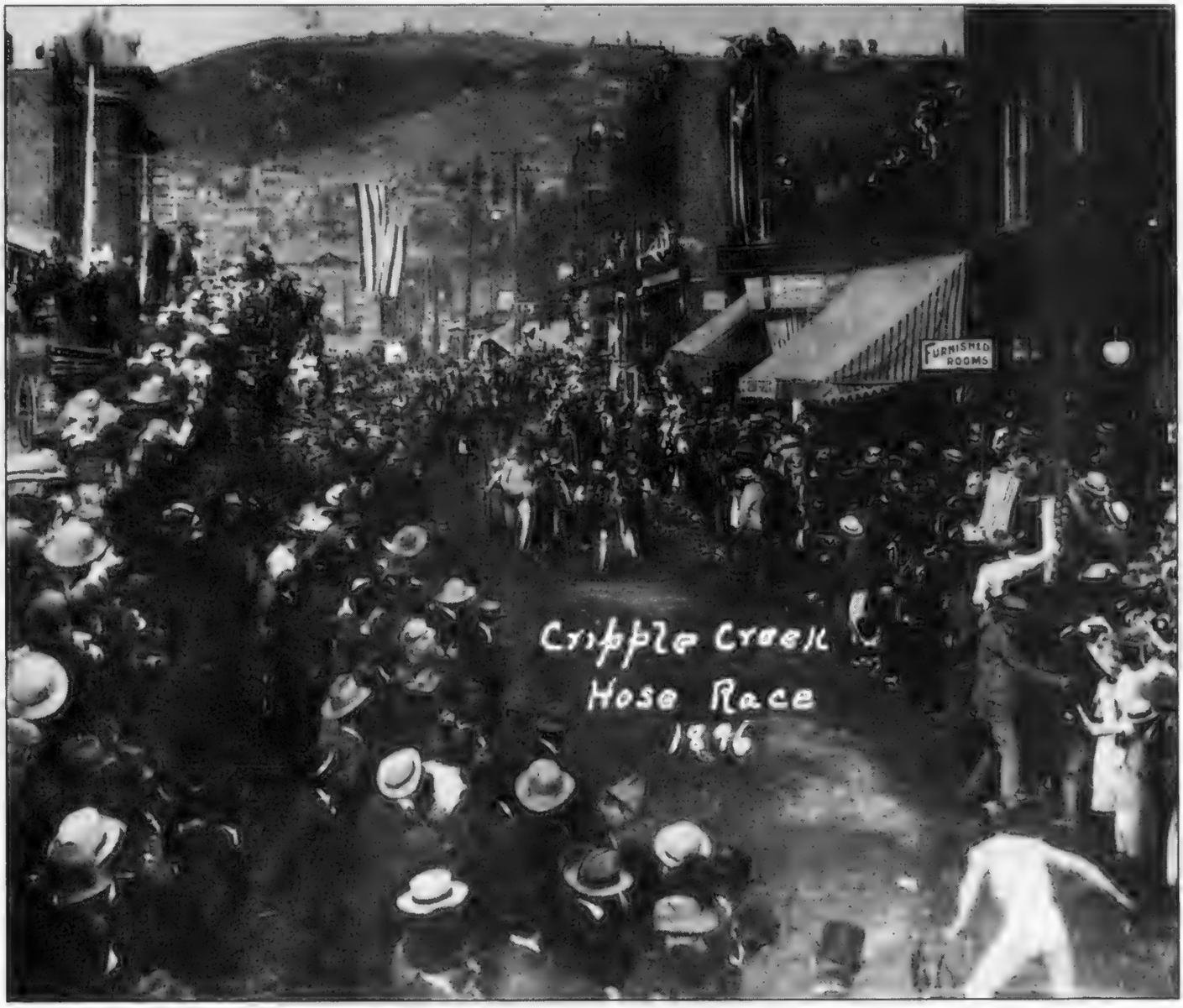

Residents of Cripple Creek turned out enthusiastically to watch volunteer firemen in a hose race during a 4th of July celebration in the 1890s.

Sitting erect in his carriage, Womack wore a black alpaca suit, a black ribbon necktie, and a striped shirt; a gold watch chain stretched across his vest. His carriage was adorned with roses. He waved his derby to the cheering crowds and at the end of the parade route, stepped off the carriage and onto the train.

In 1904 Womack suffered a stroke and was paralyzed on the left side. Miss Lida built a small bedroom on the ground floor of her boardinghouse, and there he spent his declining years. His life was not unhappy. His storytelling and his flamboyance had made him popular among younger Womacks, and he received nephews and nieces in his room constantly.

Womack's most regular visitor was Dorsey Womack, a sixteen-year-old who appeared every afternoon at four o'clock to read him his mail, his newspaper, novels, and poetry. She also sang ballads and bars of opera — she had a sweet, angelic voice — and gossiped with him about her suitors. Their friendship flowered and grew strong and brought happiness to both. But in July of 1909, Dorsey died suddenly of typhoid fever. For three weeks Womack lay in bed facing the wall and then lapsed into a coma. On August 10 he died at age sixty-six. He was buried the next morning in a grave dug next to Dorsey's. No miners were present at the funeral service, but three generations of Womacks attended, and there was much singing.

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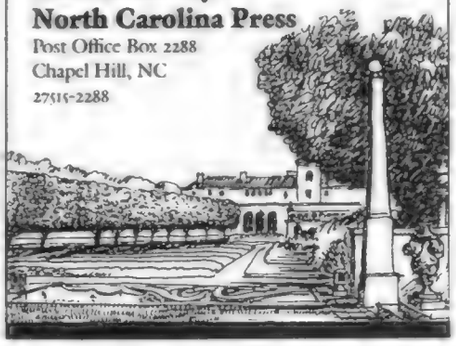

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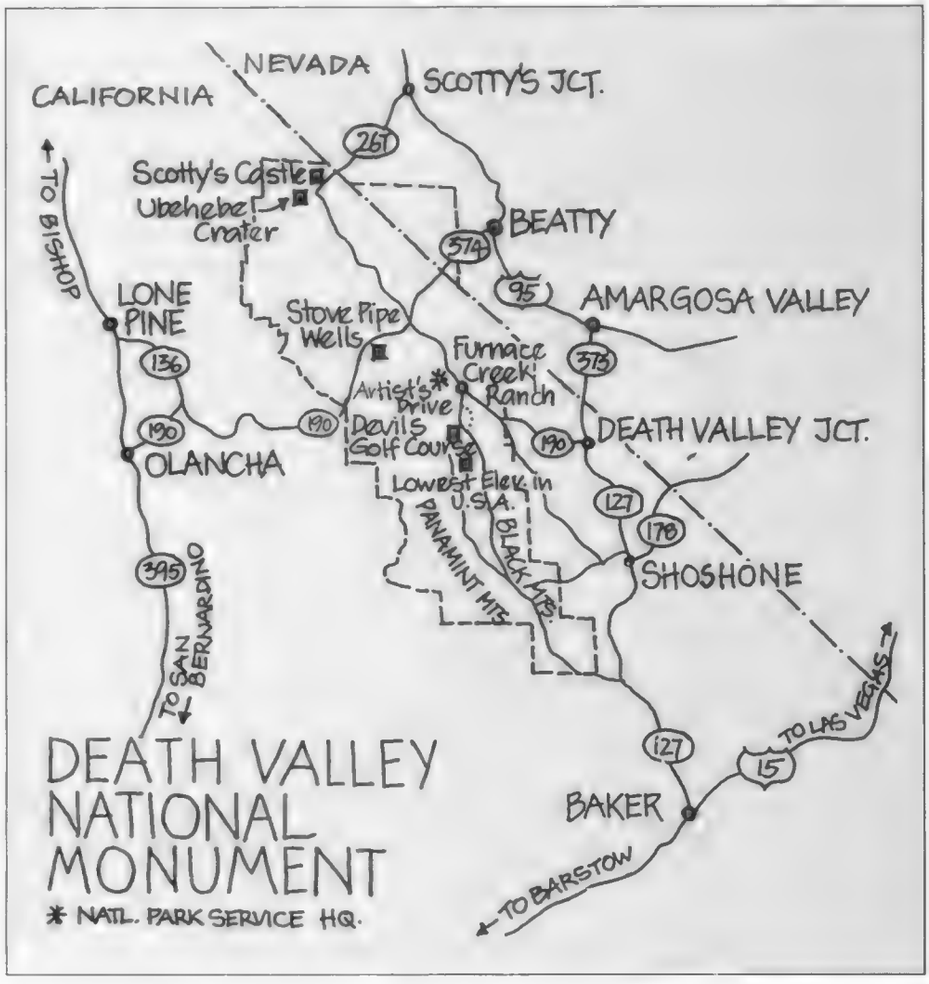

Death Valley: California's Martian Landscape

by Stephen L. Harris

Hiking through Death Valley, California, is like trekking across the surface of Mars. The signs of water erosion are everywhere — stream-cut canyons, broad alluvial fans, deeply incised gorges — but over vast sun-baked stretches, not a drop of water remains in sight. Like the Martian landscape, Death Valley is an intensely arid desert of naked rock haunted by the ghosts of long-vanished floods.

Now bone dry, the many canyons that indent Death Valley's steep walls show that torrents of water once flowed there. Encrusted with thick deposits of salt, the valley floor itself reveals that a huge lake formerly occupied this parched and seemingly lifeless flat. An earthly counterpart of the red planet's waterless terrain, Death Valley is a geological paradox: the hottest, lowest, and least rained-upon spot in the Western hemisphere, it has a landscape largely shaped by the power of running water.

During the Pleistocene epoch (Ice Age), when the surrounding mountains bore heavy snowpacks, meltwater repeatedly formed large lakes on the valley floor. The latest to form, Lake Manly, was about ninety miles long, six to eleven miles wide, with a maximum depth of more than six hundred feet. Today's visitors can see the lake's ancient wave-cut beaches and horizontal terraces high on the valley walls at Shoreline Butte and Mormon Point. Lake Manly dried up about 10,000 years ago, but a brief period of cooler, wetter weather permitted a much smaller pond, about thirty feet deep, to accumulate about 2,000 years ago. When the pond evaporated, it left behind a surface layer of salt that wind and rain subsequently sculptured into the formation now called the Devil's Golf Course.

Water continues to reshape Death Valley's treeless contours, although on a much smaller scale. The annual rainfall averages only 1.71 inches, as measured at Furnace Creek, but it commonly occurs in short, extremely intense downpours. The heat-baked surfaces do not absorb the rain; so, runoff triggers flash floods that rush through normally dry channels to deposit more silt and gravel on the valley floor. A single winter storm can quickly transform Death Valley from a waterless desert to a floodplain in which its few roads are rendered temporarily impassable by raging streams and flowing mud.

During the last few million years, such seasonal floods, great and small, along with other erosional processes, have gradually blanketed the valley with sediments nearly two miles thick. Such a phenomenal accumulation of sediments would have filled an ordinary valley to the brim, but Death Valley is not a true valley, a stream-cut depression. Instead, it is a downdropped block of the earth's crust that is still sinking faster than material eroded from the surrounding mountains can fill it.

The structure of Death Valley is typical of the geological provinces to which it belongs. At 282 feet below sea level, it is the deepest part of the Great Basin, a region (mostly in Nevada) from which streams find no exit but

drain internally into closed basins. The Great Basin, in turn, is encompassed by a larger province known as the Basin and Range. This vast area of rugged mountains alternating with deep troughs stretches from Utah's Wasatch Range on the east to the Sierra Nevada on the west. From north to south, the Basin and Range extends from southeastern Oregon and southern Idaho through southern New Mexico and Arizona to north-central Mexico.

The Basin and Range terrain is characterized by north-south trending parallel mountain ranges separated by long enclosed depressions. Earth scientists believe that this mountain-basin topography results from an uplift and stretching of the continental crust, which in turn was caused by the intrusion of magma (subsurface molten rock) into the crust and the rapid westward drift of North America during the last seventeen million years. As the crustal rocks were stretched thin by the continent's uneven movement, long fractures — faults — split the crust into numerous blocks. Subsequent movement along the faultlines caused some blocks to be thrust upward, forming mountain ranges, while the blocks lying between the uplifted ranges sank to form valleylike depressions.

Movement along the faults of the Basin and Range continues the process of downwarping basins relative to the adjacent mountains. The latest "great" earthquake, that of March 1872, caused vertical displacement of more than twenty feet between the Sierra Nevada and Owens Valley, the westernmost basin in the province. Although Death Valley has experienced only minor earthquakes during historic time, geologists expect the faultlines that border it to generate larger quakes in the future as bedrock beneath the valley floor continues to lurch downward.

Volcanoes, as well as earthquakes, have helped to shape Death Valley's present topography. The latest volcanic activity took place at Ubehebe Crater near the valley's northern end, only a few miles west of Scotty's Castle, a fancifully decorated mansion incongruously located amid the bleak desert landscape. Ubehebe Crater, Little Hebe, and the neighboring cluster of small cones were erected only a few hundred to a few thousand years ago by violently explosive eruptions that buried the surrounding terrain under a blanket of basaltic ash as much as 150 feet thick.

Ubehebe Crater, which is about half a mile in diameter and nearly eight hundred feet deep, was created largely by phreatic (steam-blast) eruptions. This type of eruption occurs when subterranean magma encounters groundwater, which flashes into steam and blasts an opening to the surface. The resultant landform, a large hole in the ground surrounded by a relatively thin rim of volcanic ejecta, is called a maar. A short hike to the lip of Ubehebe Crater reveals that much of the crater's interior wall is composed not of volcanic material but of the underlying alluvial sediments that veneer this part of the valley.

While Ubehebe and its fellow maars are young enough to retain their original forms, older and far larger volcanic deposits in Death Valley have been extensively modified by erosion and fault movement. The visitor to Artist Drive may marvel at the brilliant colors displayed in the huge blocks of welded rhyolitic ash that have been downfaulted from the adjacent Black Mountains. Capped by dark basaltic lava flows, these enormous rhyolitic blocks reflect the desert sun in hues ranging from bright orange and rust to the subtlest pinks, grays, and other pastels. Like the volcanic rocks in Yellowstone, the Artist Drive deposits owe their colors to the effects of intense heat, hot water, and chemical alteration.

In spite of its sombre reputation, Death Valley welcomes the amateur geologist who will respect its brutal climate and take adequate precautions. The almost total lack of soil and vegetative cover allows the visitor to see immediately the valley's fundamental structure and understand the geologic forces that created it. Containing rocks that span almost the whole of geologic time, from the Mid Precambrian of almost two billion years ago to deposits laid down during yesterday's flash flood, Death Valley offers the hiker an almost incomparable experience. Exploring its arid solitude provides a realistic duplication of traversing Martian landscapes. It also gives us a wonderfully close look at the bare bones and joints of Mother Earth.

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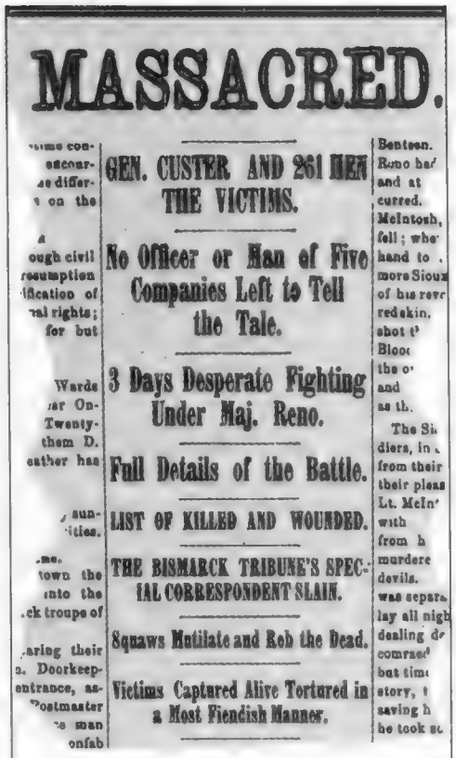
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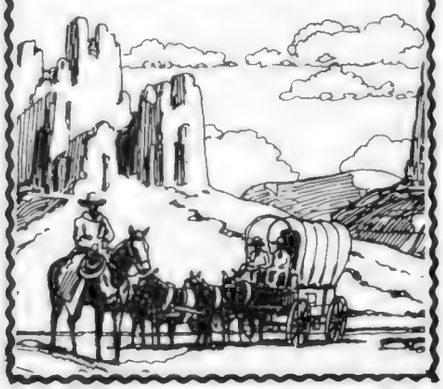

WESTERN ART NOTES

Daily tours conducted from a newly opened visitors center at Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin West in Scottsdale, Arizona, offer guests insight into Wright's special vision in architectural design and practice. An architect and humanist of exceptional talent, Wright put his mind to work in the 1930s on 600 acres north of Scottsdale. Today the buildings and grounds at Taliesin West — all built of native rock — are a National Historic Landmark. Originally the complex served as Wright's studio and home. Visitors experience the architect's powerful manipulation of space and light, and his innovative use of native building materials.

A man of contrasts, Wright lived a gracious life in the Arizona desert, yet expected a Spartan lifestyle from his students. Wright's elegant grand pianos, formal dinner parties, and theater performances in his home, differ sharply from the simple handmade desert dwellings that serve as a mental and physical challenge to his students. The gracious and the Spartan are evident on the tours.

Texas in the 1850s. Nineteen watercolors by Sarah Ann Lillie Hardinge, recently donated to the Amon Carter Museum in Fort Worth, will be on display at the museum from September 16 through November 27. The paintings depict the fledgling towns of Austin, San Antonio, and Seguin, as well as views of pioneer times in pre-Civil War Texas. Bostonian by birth and education, Hardinge traveled with her family to the state in 1852 and for four years kept a pictorial record and a diary of her life on the frontier. Accompanying the exhibit is the catalog *Views of Texas, 1852–1856: Watercolors by Sarah Anne Lillie Hardinge, Together with a Journal of Her Departure from Texas*.

"Yellowstone — The Poetry of Power," a display of twenty-four watercolors, etchings, and oils by Thomas Moran, is at the Wildlife of the American West Art Museum in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. Moran's famous landscapes of Yellowstone had a definite influence on the government's decision to set aside the area as a national park in 1872. This traveling exhibit from the Thomas Gilcrease Institute in Tulsa, Oklahoma, hangs in Jackson Hole from September 5 through October 16.

CALIFORNIA GOLD SCALES, ca. 1859

COURTESY GENE AUTRY WESTERN HERITAGE MUSEUM

Fall Opening Set for Autry Museum

A long-time dream of movie star Gene Autry will become a reality this autumn with the opening of the Gene Autry Western Heritage Museum in Los Angeles. For many years Autry has had a mission — to establish a museum dedicated to interpreting the history, cultures, and art of the American West. Endowed by the Autry Foundation, the museum in Griffith Park was built at a cost of about $30 million and will include exhibit space, a 250-seat theater, research library, education center, and staff offices. Additional sums have been spent on displays and gallery areas.

Most museums are built around a collection of art or artifacts. In this case, the curators conceived and designed interpretive exhibits, then searched the West for pieces that best illustrate the concepts. Displays cover a wide range from the real West to the romantic, fictional, and Hollywood West. Directors of the new museum want visitors to be entertained as well as educated, so they hired Walt Disney Imagineering to produce the permanent exhibits, which include elaborate audio-visual presentations.

The Foundation has spared no expense in acquiring major collections to bolster the museum and research library. Holdings include Colt presentation firearms from the Colt corporation's own collection; the Enron Western Art Collection (covering a wide spectrum of well-known western artists); Spanish colonial arms, armament, mission antiquities, and vaquero artifacts dating to the eighteenth century; books and original manuscripts in the library. Formerly a star of radio, film, and country music and now an influential businessman, Autry has donated much of his private collection of Western Americana to the museum.

An informal opening is tentatively scheduled for October 28 and a formal dedication on November 14.

SPANISH COLONIAL REVIVAL

Graceful restoration in Rancho Santa Fe

by Nora Burba and Paula Panich • Photographs by Terrence Moore

This Spanish Colonial Revival house in Rancho Santa Fe was built during the 1920s. Set on a lushly landscaped hilltop, the house has a 1930s addition designed by noted southern California architect Lilian Rice. The front patio was added to create a focal point for the entry. Bricks from Tecate, Mexico, were used for the low patio walls and planters because their orange hue was more in keeping with the color of the clay tile roof than American-fired bricks.

The back patio, which overlooks the pool, is the setting for informal Mexican-food buffets. The fireplace, original to the house, is used often on cooler evenings. The doors lead into the living room.

Some five miles inland from the Pacific Ocean, just north of San Diego, lies the elegant and leisurely community of Rancho Santa Fe. The relaxed ambience of the area and a gracious, Spanish Colonial Revival house attracted Jeffere and Marcia Van Liew and their two children to the community in the early 1970s.

Set on a hilltop in a grove of sycamores and Brazilian pepper trees and ringed by citrus trees, the Rancho del Oso (Ranch of the Bear)

From the Bantam Book, American Design: The Desert Southwest, *text by Nora Burba and Paula Panich, photographs by Terrence Moore, © 1987 by The Miller Press, Inc. Photographs © 1987 by Terrence Moore. Used by permission. All rights reserved.*

The Van Liews had architect Edwin Hom enlarge their master bathroom. The remodeled space was designed to have the creature comforts of today's new bathrooms yet blend harmoniously with the older architecture of the structure. The space was illuminated with a large skylight, cleverly disguised by a whitewashed grape-stake ceiling. The tile was handmade by Los Angeles artist Bette Chase. For the tub, chrome faucets were stripped down to the brass for a warmer look. The area rug is a contemporary Southwestern piece.

Los Angeles-based interior designer Waldo Fernandez set a comfortable yet dramatic tone in the Van Liews' living room that is in scale with the room's generous proportions. The upholstered seating and white floor lamp are his own designs; the coffee table is an old worktable that the designer had cut down. The window treatments, hung on wrought-iron curtain rods are simple cotton draperies, left full and billowy. Extra lighting was added to the beams.

dates back to the 1920s. A refinement of the Mission style of architecture, the Spanish Colonial Revival style features smooth stucco walls, multilevel red tile roofs, arcades, lush patios, and exterior colonnades as open hallways.

Keeping to the easy, informal lifestyle that their home and the climate encourage, the Van Liews have introduced subtle modernizations that have not changed the casual, comfortable atmosphere of the house. Rancho del Oso conjures up images of its genteel past; it is a piece of history that allows its occupants to lead a very contemporary life.

BOOKS IN BRIEF

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index, 348 pp., $25 cloth, $12.95 paper).
This volume is a practical survey of 100 Kansas towns that have either disappeared or are now remnants of the way they were. Some flourished briefly during boom times only to fall victim to the economy of the frontier. Travelers and arm-chair adventurers alike can go back in time for a look at Kansas as it was in the wild and woolly days.

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More Tales of the Big Bend *by Elton Miles (Texas A&M University Press, College Station, 1988; illus., index, 228 pp., $12.95 paper).*
Lost mines, buried treasure, banditry and revolution along the border are among the folk tales in this volume about life in Texas's Big Bend Country. It is colorful reading based on historic fact but not necessarily history. The stories may be the real treasure.

The Upper Arkansas River: Rapids, History & Nature Mile by Mile from Granite to the Pueblo Reservoir *by Frank Staub with contributions by Peter Anderson (Fulcrum, Inc., Golden, Colo., 1988; illus., appens., 265 pp., $14.95 paper).*
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Bed & Breakfast, California: A Selective Guide *by Linda Kay Bristow, illustrated by Linda Herman (Chronicle Books, San Francisco, 1988; illus., appen., index, 265 pp., $9.95 paper).*
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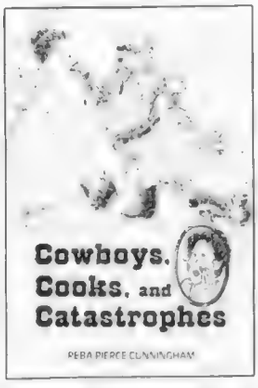

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Susan Thomas of Delaware, Oklahoma, snapped this photo while on a winter vacation at her family's cabin, located in the tiny valley between La Veta and the ski resort town of Cuchara. She had taken a day off from skiing to photograph scenes with a Western flavor to use in decorating the cabin.

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WESTERN SNAPSHOTS YESTERDAY

The birth of a new baby was an occasion for the gathering of the clan at the half-dugout home of Charley and Martha Rowell, northwest of Clarendon, Texas, in July of 1917. As the adults got acquainted with new baby Theodore, fifth in the Rowell brood, older Rowell children entertained their Reeves cousins with a ride aboard Jack, the lazy donkey.

Farm work at the Rowell place was done with teams of mules and horses, but the donkeys Jack and Jenny (too frisky for posing) furnished transportation for the children. Hitching the pair up to a little cart made from a buggy with its top removed, Lena and Alex Rowell traveled three miles to school.

One year Lena and Alex got a job picking cotton for a neighboring farmer. Taking their lunch in a pail with a cloth over the top, the two set off each day in the cart pulled by Jack and Jenny for strenuous work in the cotton fields. At lunchtime one day, they discovered that the donkeys had pulled the cloth off the pail and eaten all the food. The children did not go hungry, however, as the farmer treated them to a fried chicken lunch. Alex, who loved to eat, said, "I wouldn't care if the donkeys ate our lunch everyday."

From left to right, the cousins are Allene and Ola Reeves and Lena Rowell with her arms around the donkey's neck; seated on the sleepy donkey are Loise and Alex Rowell, followed by Elmer, Wilmer, and Gertrude Reeves. The photo was sent to us by Mrs. R. L. Wallen of Yuma, Arizona, who as Loise Rowell, the small child seated in front on the donkey, remembers Jack with great fondness.

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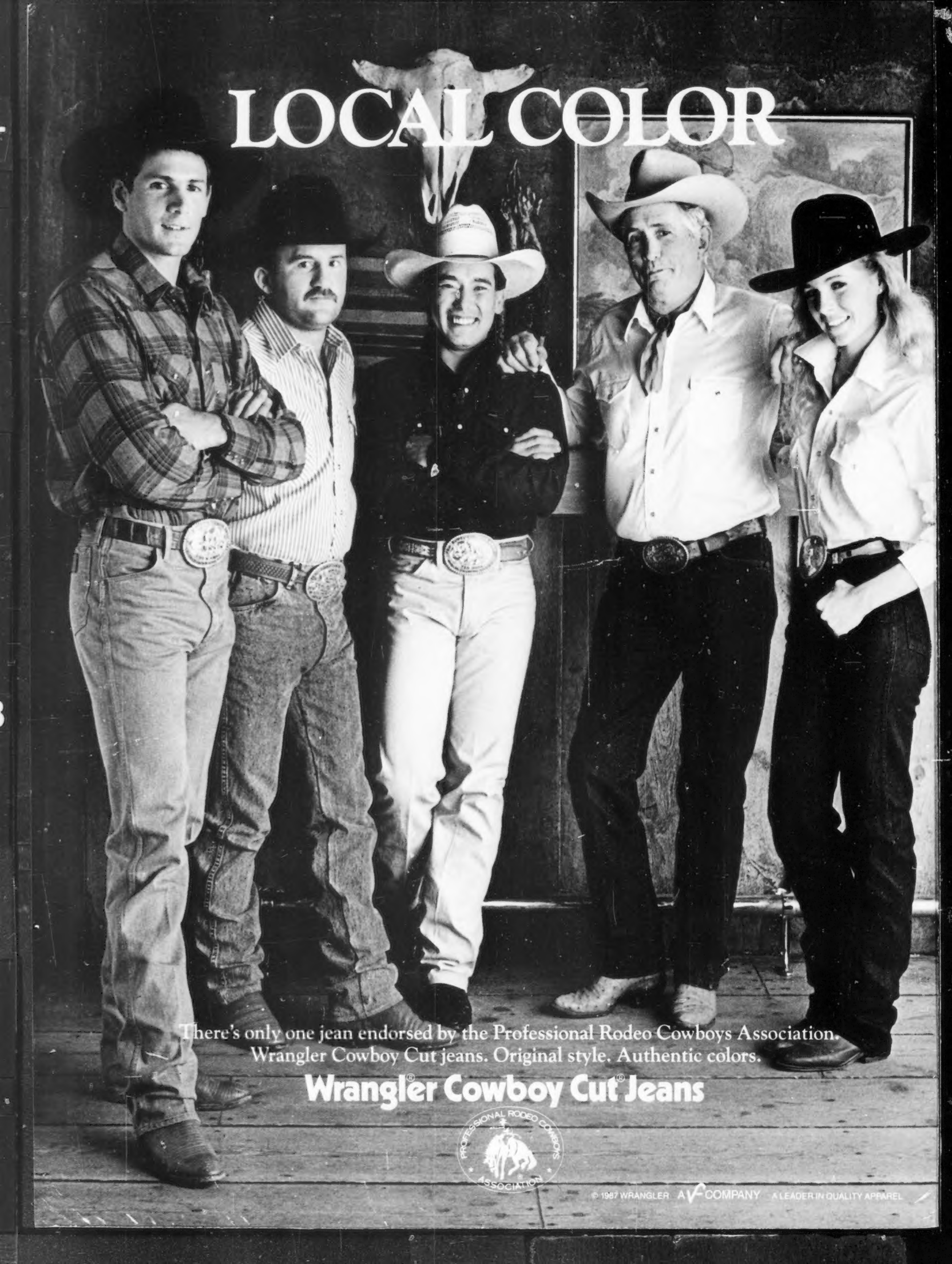
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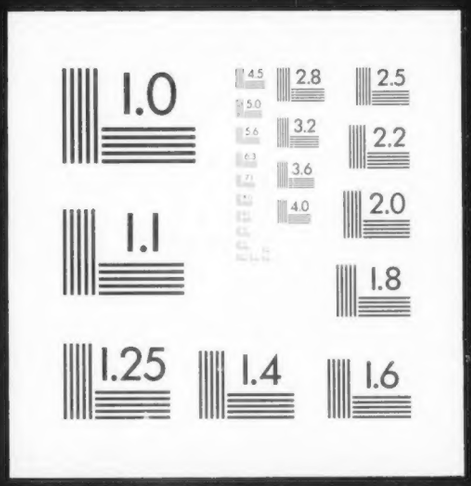
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